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1 [There is no reportable action as a result of the
2 Board of Supervisors' closed session held today.]

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** GOOD MORNING. WE WILL BE LED IN OUR
7 INVOCATION THIS MORNING BY RABBI JONATHAN JAFFE BERNHARD. AND
8 THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WILL BE LED BY G. PATRICIA JACKSON-
9 KELLEY. RABBI?

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11 **RABBI BERNHARD:** THANK YOU. THE TORAH, OUR SACRED BOOK, IS A
12 BOOK OF LAWS. AND JEWISH TRADITION HOLDS THAT THERE ARE 613
13 COMMANDMENTS WITHIN THE TORAH AND THAT THEY'RE ALL TO BE
14 VIEWED OF EQUAL IMPORTANCE. AND YET THE RABBIS COULD NOT HELP
15 THEMSELVES AND TRIED TO FIND ONE LAW THAT WAS SUPERIOR TO ALL
16 THE OTHERS. AND SO, IN THE SECOND CENTURY, A VERY FAMOUS SAGE
17 BY THE NAME OF RABBI KEVA SAID THAT THE MOST IMPORTANT LAW IN
18 THE TORAH CAN BE FOUND IN THIS WEEK'S TORAH READING. (SPEAKING
19 HEBREW) AND YOU SHALL LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF. IT IS
20 BEAUTIFUL AND IT IS POWERFUL. HOWEVER, HIS COLLEAGUES
21 DISAGREED WITH HIM, AND THEY SAID "SOME PEOPLE DON'T LOVE
22 THEMSELVES. SOME PEOPLE DON'T HAVE THE NECESSARY SELF-ESTEEM
23 AND SENSE OF SELF-WORTH THAT THEY CAN LOVE THEMSELVES THAT WE
24 CAN BASE THE MOST IMPORTANT LAW OF TORAH ON SOMETHING SO
25 TENUOUS." AND SO ONE OF HIS COLLEAGUES AND SHOT BACK AND SAID



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1 GENESIS CHAPTER 5. (SPEAKING HEBREW) THIS IS THE STORY OF
2 HUMANITY. (SPEAKING HEBREW) THIS IS THE GREATEST PRINCIPLE IN
3 TORAH. BECAUSE THIS RABBI UNDERSTOOD THAT THE TORAH, ALTHOUGH
4 A SACRED BOOK TO THE JEWISH PEOPLE, IS STILL THE STORY OF ALL
5 HUMANITY. FOR WE SHARE A COMMON ANCESTRY. WE ARE ALL
6 DESCENDANTS OF ADAM, OF HUMANITY. AND THEREFORE THE HUMAN
7 HISTORY IS MY HISTORY. AND THE HUMAN DESTINY, AND THE DESTINY
8 OF ALL HUMAN BEINGS IS MY DESTINY, AS WELL. AND, THEREFORE, IN
9 THE PRESENT, AS WE REFLECT UPON OUR PAST AND OUR FUTURE THAT
10 ARE INEXTRICABLY LINKED, WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE DECISIONS WE
11 MAKE MUST RISE ABOVE THE PETTY AND THE NARROW AND THE
12 PAROCHIAL. FOR AT BASE, WHEN ONE LOOKS AT IT, WE ARE ALL ONE.
13 MAY IT BE SO TODAY AND ALL DAYS, AMEN.

14

15 **G. PATRICIA JACKSON-KELLEY:** PLEASE FACE OUR FLAG AND PUT YOUR
16 HAND OVER YOUR HEART. OR IF YOU'RE A VETERAN, YOU MAY SALUTE
17 AND LET'S REPEAT IN UNITY. [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE RECITED.]

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19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. WE WERE LED IN THE
22 INVOCATION THIS MORNING BY RABBI JONATHAN JAFFE BERNHARD, OF
23 CONGREGATION ADAT ARI EL IN THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. HE CAME
24 TO ADAT ARI EL AS AN ASSISTANT RABBI WHERE HE HAS SERVED EVER
25 SINCE. HE IS NOW ONLY THE THIRD SENIOR RABBI IN THE



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1 CONGREGATION'S 70-YEAR HISTORY. NO TERM LIMITS AT ADAT ARI EL.
2 PRIOR TO RECEIVING HIS ORDINATION FROM THE JEWISH THEOLOGICAL
3 SEMINARY, RABBI BERNARD STUDIED AT HAVERFORD COLLEGE IN
4 PENNSYLVANIA WHERE HE RECEIVED HIS BACHELOR OF ARTS IN
5 RELIGIOUS STUDIES. RABBI BERNHARD WAS DRAWN TO THE RABBINATE
6 BECAUSE IT ALLOWS HIM TO TEACH PEOPLE OF ALL AGES IN MANY
7 DIFFERENT CIRCUMSTANCES WITH A CHANCE TO BE OF SERVICE AND TO
8 BECOME INVOLVED WITH FAMILIES AND INDIVIDUALS IN THE FULL
9 RANGE OF LIFE CYCLE EVENTS. RABBI BERNHARD IS MARRIED AND HE
10 HAS THREE SONS. I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THAT INSPIRATIONAL
11 MESSAGE THIS MORNING. MY DAD TAUGHT AT ADAT ARI EL BEFORE IT
12 WAS KNOWN AS ADAT ARI EL, A LONG TIME AGO. AND WE GO A LONG
13 WAY BACK WITH THIS CONGREGATION. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WELL, THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. WE'RE
18 DELIGHTED TO HAVE WITH US G. PATRICIA JACKSON-KELLEY, A
19 NATIONAL VETERANS REHAB COMMISSIONER AND REPRESENTING THE
20 AMERICAN LEGION. SHE SERVED AS A CAPTAIN IN THE AIR FORCE FROM
21 1979 TO 1983, AND A LIEUTENANT COLONEL IN THE ARMY RESERVE
22 FROM 1983 TO 2003. A FEW OF HER PAST ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND
23 APPOINTMENTS INCLUDE AMERICAN LEGION POST COMMANDER, 23RD
24 DISTRICT, AND A NATIONAL VETERANS REHAB COMMISSIONER. SHE HAS
25 RECEIVED A NUMBER OF DECORATIONS THAT INCLUDE AN ARMY



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1 COMMENDATION MEDAL, AN AIR FORCE COMMENDATION MEDAL, AN AIR
2 FORCE OUTSTANDING UNIT AWARD AND AIR FORCE LONGEVITY SERVICE
3 AWARD RIBBON. SHE RECEIVED HER BACHELOR'S DEGREE FROM HUNTER
4 COLLEGE, HER MASTER'S DEGREE FROM GOLDEN STATE UNIVERSITY. AND
5 MOST RECENTLY, SHE SERVED AS A MANAGER AT THE VETERANS
6 HOSPITAL IN WEST LOS ANGELES. SHE IS NOW HAPPILY RETIRED. SHE
7 IS MARRIED AND WITH ONE SON AND FOUR GRANDCHILDREN. PLEASE
8 JOIN ME IN WELCOMING AND THANKING G. PATRICIA JACKSON-KELLEY
9 FOR THIS MORNING'S PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE SALUTE. [APPLAUSE.]

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ARE YOU READY FOR THE AGENDA?

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13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE
14 BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 3, PRESENTATIONS
15 AND SET MATTERS. ON ITEM S-2, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED
16 AGENDA, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
17 CONTINUED TO MAY 12TH, 2009. AND ALSO ON THIS ITEM, THERE'S A
18 REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, THE ITEM WILL BE CONTINUED TO MAY
21 12TH.

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23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** OKAY.

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25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** S-2.



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2 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ALL RIGHT. ON THE AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF
3 THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ON ITEM 1-D, SUPERVISOR
4 YAROSLAVSKY WOULD LIKE TO ADD THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT TO THIS
5 RECOMMENDATION, "INSTRUCT THE ACTING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE
6 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION TO RETURN TO THE BOARD BY
7 JUNE 30TH, 2009, TO OBTAIN APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED PROJECTS
8 TO BE IMPLEMENTED UNDER H.P.R.P. AND ALSO THERE IS A REQUEST
9 FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM."

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THE ITEM WILL BE HELD.

12

13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** PUBLIC HEARINGS, ITEMS 1 THROUGH 10.

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15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT
16 OBJECTION, SO AMENDED. BUT THE ITEM IS HELD FOR THE WHOLE
17 ITEM.

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19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PUBLIC HEARINGS, ITEM NO. 5, AS
20 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS
21 ACKNOWLEDGES THE APPELLANT'S WITHDRAWAL OF CONDITIONAL USE
22 PERMIT 200700108 AND REQUESTS THAT THE DE NOVO APPEAL HEARING
23 REGARDING CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT 200700072 BE CONTINUED
24 WITHOUT DISCUSSION TO JUNE 23RD, 2009.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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3 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 6, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED
4 AGENDA, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
5 CONTINUED WITHOUT DISCUSSION TO MAY 26TH, 2009, AT 1 P.M.

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7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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9 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 8, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED
10 AGENDA, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
11 CONTINUED WITHOUT DISCUSSION TO MAY 26TH, 2009, AT 1 P.M.

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13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 9, AS INDICATED ON THE
16 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, COUNTY COUNSEL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
17 CONTINUED WITHOUT DISCUSSION TO JUNE 23RD, 2009.

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19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THE REMAINING PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS WILL BE
22 HELD FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING. WE'RE NOW ON PAGE 9,
23 ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ITEMS 11 THROUGH
24 23. ON ITEM NO. 11, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT
25 THIS ITEM BE HELD.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 22, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS
5 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD THE REMAINING--

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7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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9 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER BOARD OF
10 SUPERVISORS IS BEFORE YOU.

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12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I THOUGHT I HAD A HOLD THERE, BUT I
13 GUESS I DON'T. WITH THOSE TWO ITEMS BEING HELD ON THE
14 REMAINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, SECONDED BY
15 SUPERVISOR MOLINA, WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE'RE NOW ON PAGE 13, CONSENT CALENDAR,
18 ITEMS 24 THROUGH 27. ON ITEM NO. 24, THIS ALSO INCLUDES THE
19 REVISIONS AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. AND ALSO
20 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AND SUPERVISOR KNABE AND MEMBERS OF
21 THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.

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23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S ITEM, WHAT? 24?

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25 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 24.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THAT'S THE ONE I WAS LOOKING FOR,
3 THANK YOU.

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5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 25, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A
6 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 26, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A
11 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 27, SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUESTS
16 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE'RE ON PAGE 17, MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS
21 TO THE AGENDA, WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE
22 OF THE MEETING AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, ITEM
23 28-A.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. THE
2 CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 28-B.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. SECONDED
7 BY THE CHAIR. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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9 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND 28-C.

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. THE
12 CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA.
15 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL
16 DISTRICT NO. 2.

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, DO YOU HAVE
19 ANY PRESENTATIONS TODAY? OKAY. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, ANY
20 PRESENTATIONS? CAN WE GET IT LIVE HERE? HAVING A LITTLE
21 TROUBLE WITH THE MICROPHONES TODAY, HUH? MINOR DETAIL. IT IS
22 MY HONOR TO CALL UP SUSAN STERN. AND THERE SHE IS. HER CAREER
23 BEGAN WITH THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES -- WE'RE LOSING A LOT OF
24 HISTORY THESE LAST FEW WEEKS HERE IN THE GREAT COUNTY OF LOS
25 ANGELES -- BEGAN IN THE SUMMER OF 1970 FOLLOWING HER



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1 GRADUATION FROM HOLLYWOOD HIGH SCHOOL. SHE STARTED IN THE
2 COUNTY AS A TYPIST CLERK WITH THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND
3 CONTINUED THROUGH THE FOLLOWING SUMMER UNTIL TRANSFERRING TO
4 THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL IN THE FALL OF 1972. AFTER
5 ATTAINING HER BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN SOCIOLOGY FROM U.C.L.A. IN
6 1974, SHE WAS APPOINTED AS A PERSONNEL ANALYST AID. AND OVER
7 THE SUCCEEDING YEARS, PROGRESSED IN VARIOUS HUMAN RESOURCES
8 ASSIGNMENTS TO THE LEVEL OF CHIEF DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF OUR
9 DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES. SHE'S A VERY ACTIVE MEMBER AND
10 LEADER IN THE INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION FOR
11 HUMAN RESOURCES AND SERVED AS THE LOCAL, REGIONAL
12 INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT OF THIS ORGANIZATION. SHE HAS -- I
13 WANT ZEV TO HEAR THIS. SHE HAS BEEN A PROUD RESIDENT OF OVER
14 25 YEARS AT THE CITY OF CERRITOS. I COUNT HER AS A NEIGHBOR.
15 [APPLAUSE.] SHE PLANS TO GIVE BACK TO HER COMMUNITY AND
16 UNIVERSITY THROUGH VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES. SHE'S GOING TO BE ONE
17 OF OUR ARTS AMBASSADORS AT THE CERRITOS CENTER FOR THE
18 PERFORMING ARTS, A U.C.L.A. CHANCELLOR'S ASSOCIATE, ALUMNI
19 ADVISER AND HER SORORITY THETA KAPPA PHI, AS WELL AS THE
20 ASIAN-AMERICAN SYMPHONY BOARD. ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD AND MY
21 COLLEAGUES AND THE 10 MILLION RESIDENTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY,
22 WE WANT TO PRESENT THIS SCROLL IN RECOGNITION OF 36 YEARS OF
23 INCREDIBLE SERVICE TO OUR GREAT COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, TO ITS
24 EMPLOYEES AND TO OUR CONSTITUENTS. AND ON BEHALF OF ALL OF US,



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1 WE WISH YOU A MOST JOYFUL AND MOST IMPORTANTLY A HEALTHY
2 RETIREMENT. HAVE FUN. AND SEE YOU AT RALPH'S. [APPLAUSE.]

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4 **SUSAN TOY STERN:** THANK YOU, SO MUCH, SUPERVISOR. AND I DID ASK
5 WHEN I'M USHERING AT CERRITOS, FOR YOU IF I'M ESCORTING YOU
6 DOWN THE AISLE, FOR YOU PLEASE NOT TO TRIP ME. AND I HOPE THAT
7 I DON'T TRIP, EITHER. BUT I DO WANT TO THANK YOU AND THE BOARD
8 FOR THIS RECOGNITION. IT'S BEEN A WONDERFUL 36 YEARS. AND I'VE
9 ENJOYED MY EXPERIENCE WITH THE COUNTY. AND I DO WANT TO THANK
10 ALL OF THE D.H.R. FAMILY FOR BEING HERE TODAY AND SUPPORTING
11 ME AND SUPPORTING US THROUGH THE YEARS AS WE HAVE ATTAINED
12 RECOGNITION FOR L.A. COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES,
13 BOTH NATIONALLY AND INTERNATIONALLY WHEN WE MADE PRESENTATIONS
14 THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. I ALSO WANT TO THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR
15 INNOVATION AND CREATIVITY IN HELPING US TO BE RECOGNIZED FOR
16 OUR PROGRAMS, SUCH AS TELECOMMUTING AND BENEFITS AND WORKFORCE
17 PLANNING AND OUR LEARNING ACADEMY. WE ARE THE MODEL FOR MANY
18 OF THE OTHER JURISDICTIONS. AND I THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR
19 SUPPORT ALL THESE YEARS. SO THIS RECOGNITION IS FOR YOU, AS
20 WELL. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT, I'M VERY PLEASED TO HAVE SOME VERY
23 SPECIAL GUESTS WITH US THIS MORNING FROM SCHOOLS ALL OVER LOS
24 ANGELES COUNTY TO ACKNOWLEDGE CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH.
25 CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT IMPACTS FAMILIES FROM ALL CULTURAL,



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1 ETHNIC AND SOCIAL ECONOMIC GROUPS, LEAVING UNFORTUNATELY
2 LASTING SCARS ON VICTIMS AND COMMUNITIES. IN 2008 ALONE, OVER
3 167,000 CASES OF CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT WERE REPORTED TO OUR
4 DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES. WE DEEPLY
5 APPRECIATE THE EFFORTS OF OUR SOCIAL WORKERS, THEIR ADVOCATES
6 AND OTHER CHILD WELFARE PROFESSIONALS WHO WORK TIRELESSLY TO
7 PROTECT, ASSIST, AND HOPEFULLY HEAL THESE CHILDREN. WE MUST
8 NEVER CEASE TO BRING THE PUBLIC FOCUS TO THIS TRAGEDY OR
9 MITIGATE OUR EFFORTS TO PREVENT CHILD ABUSE FROM OCCURRING IN
10 OUR COMMUNITIES. DEANNE TILTON, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE
11 I.C.A.N., WHICH IS THE INTERAGENCY COUNCIL ON CHILD ABUSE AND
12 NEGLECT, IS HERE WITH US TODAY TO ACCEPT THIS SCROLL
13 COMMEMORATING CHILD ABUSE MONTH. BUT AS ALL OF YOU KNOW,
14 I.C.A.N. HAS CONSISTENTLY BEEN ON THE FRONTLINES OF
15 CONFRONTING THE TRAGIC ISSUE AND HAS A LOT, OBVIOUSLY, TO DO
16 WITH DEANNE'S PERSISTENCE, INTENSITY, AND LEADERSHIP AND
17 ADVOCACY. SO I'M GOING TO PRESENT THIS TO DEANNE AND THEN WE
18 GOING TO ALSO PRESENT OUR WINNERS. WE'VE GOT -- I'LL LET
19 DEANNE AND EVERYONE DESCRIBE IT, BUT THE BOARD HAS THIS
20 WONDERFUL BUT VERY DIFFICULT JOB EVERY YEAR TO PICK WINNERS
21 FROM ALL OVER THE COUNTY. WE GET TO LOOK AT ALL THE VARIOUS
22 ART. I'M NOT SURE, BUT SHE'LL TELL YOU HOW MANY. AND THESE ARE
23 OUR WINNERS. SO DEANNE, HERE YOU GO. HERE, TRY THIS ONE. CAN
24 WE GET THE OTHER SIDE MICS WORKING, PLEASE? THANK YOU.

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1 **DEANNE TILTON:** APRIL IS CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH. AND EACH
2 YEAR, I.C.A.N. PRESENTS THREE REPORTS TO THE BOARD OF
3 SUPERVISORS, ONE ON CHILD ABUSE FATALITIES, ONE ON THE STATE
4 OF CHILD ABUSE, AND THE THIRD ONE IS ON SAFELY SURRENDERED AND
5 ABANDONED BABIES. I BROUGHT THE ONE ON SAFE SURRENDERED BABIES
6 JUST FOR DON, SUPERVISOR KNABE, BECAUSE WE THOUGHT WE SHOULD
7 HAVE IT BRONZED. BECAUSE OF HIS LEADERSHIP, WE NOW HAVE 71
8 LIVING NEWBORN BABIES THAT MIGHT HAVE BEEN IN OUR STATISTICS
9 IN ANOTHER REPORT. SO THANK YOU. AND THANK YOU TO EVERYONE.
10 [APPLAUSE.] THE CHILDREN HERE TODAY ARE THE WINNERS OF AMONG
11 OVER 1,000 CHILDREN WHO PARTICIPATED IN OVER 50 SCHOOLS ACROSS
12 THIS COUNTRY. IT MAKES THEM VERY SPECIAL. AND IF YOU LOOK AT
13 THEIR ARTWORK, YOU WILL UNDERSTAND WHAT ROBERT FROST MEANT
14 WHEN HE SAID, "WE DANCE AROUND IN CIRCLES AND PROPOSE THE
15 ANSWER SIT IN THE MIDDLE AND KNOWS." THESE ARE THE CHILDREN
16 SITTING IN THE MIDDLE. THESE ARE THE CHILDREN WHO KNOW. AND IF
17 YOU LOOK AT THEIR ARTWORK, YOU WILL SEE THEY HAVE MESSAGES
18 THAT ARE PROFOUND. WORDS HURT. ABUSE IS NOT A LESSON. ABUSE IS
19 A LIFE SENTENCE. PLEASE LOVE ME, KEEP ME WARM. ABUSE IS A
20 CHILLING COLD. THESE ARE JUST SOME OF THE MESSAGES COMING FROM
21 THESE CHILDREN WHO WEREN'T ABUSED THEMSELVES PUT LEST WE EVER
22 FORGET HOW THE WATER RIPPLES FROM ONE CASE OF ABUSE THROUGHOUT
23 THE NEIGHBORHOOD, THROUGHOUT THE SCHOOL AND THROUGHOUT OUR
24 COMMUNITIES, LET US LOOK AT THIS ARTWORK AND KNOW THAT THESE
25 CHILDREN VERY PASSIONATELY WANTED TO DELIVER A MESSAGE THAT



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1 CHILD ABUSE NEEDS TO BE STOPPED. AND WE'RE ALL GOING TO WORK
2 TOGETHER TO TRY TO DO THAT. I WOULD LIKE TO CALL UP STEVE
3 COOLEY, WHILE HE'S HERE. HE IS THE VICE CHAIR OF I.C.A.N.
4 TRISH PLOEHN IS IN THE BACK OF THE BUILDING. WOULD YOU COME
5 UP, TOO, FOR A PICTURE? TRISH AND STEVE ARE MAJOR PLAYERS IN
6 I.C.A.N.'S POLICY COMMITTEE, WHICH MEETS ON THURSDAY. I ALSO
7 WANT TO ASSURE THAT MONICA MCCOY IS RECOGNIZED, WHO IS THE
8 COORDINATOR OF 12 COMMUNITY CHILD ABUSE COUNCILS AND HAS
9 MATERIAL FOR EVERYONE HERE. AND I WANT TO RECOGNIZE MORE THAN
10 ANYBODY TODAY BEVERLY KURTZ, WHO FOR 21 YEARS HAS CONNECTED
11 WITH SCHOOLS, WITH TEACHERS, WITH OUR AGENCIES, WITH THE
12 CAPITOL, WITH THE COURTROOMS, WITH THE CHILDREN AND WITH THEIR
13 FAMILIES. AND IT'S HER INCREDIBLE PASSION AND INTREPID NATURE
14 THAT BRINGS TOGETHER THESE THOUSAND DIFFERENT PIECES OF ART
15 FROM 53 SCHOOLS TO ASSURE THAT NOBODY FORGETS THAT CHILDREN
16 ARE AFFECTED BY CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT WHETHER OR NOT THEY
17 ARE THE INTENDED VICTIMS. SO YOU'LL SEE THEIR POSTERS AROUND.
18 YOU'LL SEE THEM IN THE HALLWAY. AND AGAIN, I WANT TO THANK
19 THIS BOARD BECAUSE THIS BOARD HAS SHOWN INCREDIBLE CONCERN
20 ABOUT CHILDREN WHO HAVE BEEN HURT. I HOPE YOU READ ALL THREE
21 REPORTS. WE HAVE A RELEASE ON THURSDAY AT NOON. AND WE WILL
22 CONTINUE TO DO OUR BEST TO MAKE SURE EVERYBODY WHO TOUCHES THE
23 LIFE OF A CHILD IS PART OF THE ANSWER, EVERY AGENCY, EVERY
24 COMMUNITY AND EVERY ASSOCIATION. DID I FORGET ANYBODY? OH,
25 KATHY WALSH, WHO IS THE AUTHOR OF THE "SAFE SURRENDERED AND



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1 ABANDONED BABY REPORT." KATHY, A VERY IMPORTANT PERSON IN MY
2 OFFICE. OKAY. BEVERLY, DID YOU WANT TO TELL US ABOUT WHO THE
3 CHILDREN ARE AND HAVE THEM SAY A WORD? THANK YOU SO MUCH. AND
4 HAPPY CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH. I HOPE NEXT YEAR THE
5 NUMBERS ARE DOWN AGAIN. I HAVE TO SAY FOR THE LAST YEAR, WE
6 HAVE COLLECTED DATA. WE HAVE THE LOWEST NUMBER OF CHILD AND
7 YOUTH SUICIDES IN THE HISTORY OF OUR COLLECTING DATA. SO
8 THANKS TO THE SCHOOLS, RAY VINCENT IS HERE FROM THE SCHOOLS.
9 WE HAD THE LOWEST NUMBER OF FATALITIES, EVEN THOUGH EACH ONE
10 IS A TRAGEDY. AND WE STILL HAVE AN UNACCEPTABLE NUMBER OF
11 DEATHS, POST CO-SLEEPING. AND WE WILL BE ADDRESSING THAT
12 SEPARATELY ON MAY 12TH. THANK YOU SO MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

13

14 **BEVERLY KURTZ:** I'M BEVERLY KURTZ AND I'VE CHAIRED THE POSTER
15 CONTEST FOR ALL THESE YEARS. AND I WANT TO THANK DEANNE FOR
16 THE WONDERFUL WORDS SHE SAID. I DO WANT TO ADD THAT SINCE I
17 STARTED CHAIRING IT, OVER 18,000 CHILDREN HAVE PARTICIPATED IN
18 THE POSTER CONTEST. AND IT'S FROM SCHOOLS THROUGHOUT THE
19 COUNTY, FROM LANCASTER AND PALMDALE TO REDONDO BEACH AND
20 TORRANCE AND CERRITOS AND SAN GABRIEL AND LOS ANGELES AND
21 NORTHRIDGE. SO IT'S ALL OVER THE COUNTY. AND IT'S OUR PUBLIC
22 AWARENESS CAMPAIGN TO GIVE STUDENTS KNOWLEDGE ABOUT HOW THEY
23 CAN BE SAFE AND WHAT TO LOOK FOR. AND WE TAKE WHAT COMES OUT
24 OF THE I.C.A.N. COUNCIL AND THEIR INTERESTS AND THEIR
25 GUIDELINES AND USE THOSE IN THE GUIDELINES FOR THE TEACHERS.



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1 HOT ON THE PRESS RIGHT NOW IN PRINTING ARE SAFETY TIPS FOR
2 NEWBORNS, TUMMY TIME IS AWAKE TIME, AND PUTTING INFANTS ON
3 THEIR BACKS TO SLEEP. WE INCLUDED THOSE IN THE GUIDELINES, AND
4 SOME OF THE TEACHERS INCLUDED IT. SO KIDS ARE BEING AWARE,
5 TOO, OF WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND. AND THE POSTERS SPEAK FOR
6 THEMSELVES. THE KIDS ARE TALENTED ARTISTS AND THEY HAVE
7 SOMETHING TO SAY. SO COME CLOSE TO THE MICROPHONE. BRING THE
8 POSTERS UP. SO THEIR TEACHERS, THE STUDENTS AND PRINCIPALS ARE
9 UP HERE. SO VERY LOUD.

10

11 **STUDENTS:** APRIL IS CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH. WE HOPE OUR
12 POSTERS [INAUDIBLE] [APPLAUSE.]

13

14 **BEVERLY KURTZ:** I'D ALSO LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR KNABE FOR
15 BEING THE JUDGE THIS YEAR AND THE SUPPORT OF I.C.A.N. AND THE
16 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND TRISH PLOEHN, THE DIRECTOR OF FAMILY
17 AND CHILDREN SERVICES, WAS ALSO ONE OF OUR JUDGES THIS YEAR AS
18 WELL AS DEANNE TILTON, AND THEN A NUMBER OF ARTISTS IN THE
19 COMMUNITY AND ART INSTITUTION DIRECTORS. SO THANK YOU VERY
20 MUCH.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, ALL. LET'S GIVE THEM A BIG
23 ROUND OF APPLAUSE AGAIN. [APPLAUSE.] ALL RIGHT. VERY GOOD.
24 THANK YOU. THANK YOU, THANK YOU. DEANNE? ALL RIGHT. HE WAS UP
25 HERE EARLIER, I'M GOING TO ASK OUR GOOD DISTRICT ATTORNEY, THE



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1 HONORABLE STEVE COOLEY TO JOIN US AND DONNA WILLS OF THE
2 VICTIM-WITNESS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. IN ADDITION TO CHILD ABUSE
3 MONTH, THIS IS ALSO NATIONAL VICTIMS' RIGHTS WEEK, APRIL 26TH
4 THROUGH MAY 2ND. THE THEME THIS YEAR IS "25 YEARS OF
5 REBUILDING LIVES: CELEBRATING THE VICTIMS OF CRIME ACT." THE
6 DISTRICT ATTORNEY AND THE VICTIM-WITNESS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
7 ARE HONORING ORGANIZATIONS AND INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE MADE
8 SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTIONS IN ASSISTING VICTIMS, ACHIEVING
9 JUSTICE FOR VICTIMS AND ALSO ADVANCING VICTIMS' RIGHTS. SO ON
10 BEHALF OF MYSELF AND MY COLLEAGUES AND THE BOARD, WE'D LIKE TO
11 PRESENT DONNA AND STEVE WITH A SCROLL AND RECOGNITION OF CRIME
12 VICTIMS' RIGHTS WEEK AND SAY THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU DO.

13 [APPLAUSE.]

14

15 **STEVE COOLEY:** I'D LIKE TO FIRST OF ALL ACKNOWLEDGE DONNA WILLS
16 AND HER GREAT WORK AS THE DIRECTOR OF OUR VICTIM-WITNESS
17 ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. AND SHE HAS SOME OF OUR DEDICATED
18 ADVOCATES HERE TODAY. WOULD THEY PLEASE STAND AND BE
19 RECOGNIZED FOR ALL THE GOOD WORK THEY DO ALL YEAR LONG?

20 [APPLAUSE.] THE YEAR 2009 MARKS THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE
21 FEDERAL LEGISLATION THAT REALLY DEVELOPED A CONTEXT FOR THE
22 VICTIM RIGHTS MOVEMENT, AND THIS PROGRAM THAT OUR OFFICE HAS,
23 ALONG WITH OTHER PROSECUTORIAL OFFICES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY.
24 A GREAT MANY THINGS HAVE HAPPENED THE LAST 25 YEARS TO ADVANCE
25 VICTIMS' RIGHTS WITHIN THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM, AND I'M



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1 VERY, VERY PROUD TO SAY THAT THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY D.A.'S
2 OFFICE, OVER THE YEARS, STARTING WITH D.A. JOHN VAN DECAMP,
3 HAS LED THE WAY AND BEEN A MODEL FOR THE REST OF THE NATION.
4 SO WE HAVE A LOT TO BE PROUD OF IN THE L.A. COUNTY'S D.A.
5 OFFICE AND HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY WHEN IT COMES TO
6 VICTIMS' RIGHTS AND HOW WE'VE PROGRESSED, ADVANCING GOOD
7 PRACTICES AND SERVICE TO VICTIMS SO THAT WE CAN TRULY REBUILD
8 THEIR LIVES AFTER THEY HAVE BEEN VICTIMIZED BY CRIME. THANK
9 YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, WE NOW HAVE ANOTHER RETIREMENT
12 FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, AND WITH US THIS MORNING
13 IS GAIL FARBER, WHO IS THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS, ALONG
14 WITH ASSISTANT DIRECTOR CHUCK ADAMS AND DEPUTY DIRECTORS,
15 DIEGO CARDENA, PAT DESCHELLES, JACOB WILLIAMS, ASSISTANT
16 DEPUTY DIRECTOR, BILL WINTER, FRED GUIDO, DEBBY HUGHES, JOHN
17 KELLY AND DEAN LEHMAN. TODAY WE'RE GOING TO BID FAREWELL TO
18 BILL HIGLEY, WHO IS HERE WITH HIS WIFE, GERI. AFTER 36 YEARS
19 AS ONE OF THE KEY ADMINISTRATIVE LEADERS IN THE DEPARTMENT OF
20 PUBLIC WORKS. HE BEGAN HIS CAREER WITH THE COUNTY FLOOD
21 CONTROL DISTRICT AS A CIVIL ENGINEERING ASSISTANT, AND THEN
22 ADVANCED THROUGH THE RANKS TO HIS PRESENT POSITION AS DEPUTY
23 DIRECTOR. HE WAS ONE OF THE KEY ADMINISTRATIVE LEADERS DURING
24 THE STORM SEASONS, WAS ON THE FLORENCE-FIRESTONE COMMUNITY
25 ENHANCEMENT TEAM, A MEMBER OF THE AMERICAN PUBLIC WORKS



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1 ASSOCIATION. AN EXCEPTIONAL LEADER WHO HAS ALWAYS BEEN ABLE TO
2 HELP OUT AND BRING THE BEST OUT OF OTHERS. HE'S STEADY, NEVER
3 LOSES HIS COMPOSURE, WAS UNPARALLELED IN PEOPLE SKILLS AND
4 ALWAYS HAD A KIND AND POSITIVE WORD FOR ALL OF THOSE THAT HE
5 MET. SO, BILL, AFTER 36 YEARS, WE APPRECIATE YOUR LEADERSHIP
6 AND WISH YOU CONTINUED SUCCESS IN YOUR RETIREMENT. IT'S GOOD
7 TO BE WORKING WITH YOU THESE YEARS, AND I WANT TO THANK PAUL
8 NOVAK. AND THEN PRIOR TO PAUL NOVAK WAS DAVID BENATTA. AND
9 PRIOR TO THAT WE HAD A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO WORK CLOSELY
10 TOGETHER. AND SO THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP. [APPLAUSE.]
11 LET ME HAVE GAIL, GET IN HERE. LET'S DO IT AGAIN. BEFORE WE
12 ASK BILL TO SPEAK, COULD WE HAVE THE DIRECTOR, GAIL FARBER,
13 SAY A FEW WORDS?

14

15 **GAIL FARBER:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. IT'S A PRIVILEGE AND AN
16 HONOR JUST TO CONGRATULATE AND TO RECOGNIZE BILL HIGLEY FOR
17 ALL OF HIS YEARS OF SERVICE. HE'S JUST AN OUTSTANDING ROLE
18 MODEL. HE BRINGS SUCH PRESENCE TO THE ORGANIZATION. HIS
19 LEADERSHIP, I JUST CAN'T SAY ENOUGH WITH A WIDE VARIETY OF
20 THINGS THAT ARE UNDER HIS CONTROL. AND WE'RE GOING TO MISS
21 HIM. BUT WE WISH HIM THE BEST IN HIS RETIREMENT. AND ON BEHALF
22 OF PUBLIC WORKS, SAY CONGRATULATIONS TO HIM AND HIS WIFE,
23 GERI. [APPLAUSE.]

24



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1 **BILL HIGLEY:** YES, THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, AND BOARD
2 OF SUPERVISORS AND DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR, GAIL
3 FARBER, AND ALL MY COLLEAGUES AT THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
4 WHO HAVE BEEN SUCH A SUPPORT TO ME AND INSPIRATION TO ME OVER
5 THE YEARS. I DON'T KNOW WHERE ALL THOSE 36 YEARS WENT. THEY
6 WENT BY SO QUICK. BUT MY EXPERIENCES WITH THE CONSTITUENTS IN
7 L.A. COUNTY HAVE ALWAYS BEEN VERY POSITIVE AND REWARDING FOR
8 ME. MY INTERACTIONS WITH THE FAMILY OF COUNTY EMPLOYEES HAS
9 ALWAYS BEEN STRONG AND I'M VERY PROUD TO HAVE BEEN A COUNTY
10 EMPLOYEE AND HAD A CAREER WITH THE COUNTY. THANK YOU VERY
11 MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW WE'RE GOING TO WELCOME SEVERAL GUESTS
14 HERE IN PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF MAY AS MENTAL HEALTH MONTH.
15 DR. MARVIN SOUTHARD, OUR DIRECTOR OF MENTAL HEALTH, KAREN
16 FINELLO, WHO IS THE DIRECTOR OF PROJECT A.B.C., JERRY LUBIN
17 AND DR. BILL ARROYO. WE ALL KNOW THAT MENTAL HEALTH AFFECTS 1
18 IN 5 AMERICANS EVERY YEAR AND CO-OCCURRENCE OF MENTAL
19 ILLNESSES AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE IS A VERY MAJOR CONCERN AND
20 REQUIRES AN INTEGRATED MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT PROGRAM. NOW,
21 OUR COUNTY HAS MADE A VERY STRONG COMMITMENT TO COMMUNITY-
22 BASED SYSTEMS OF MENTAL HEALTHCARE FOR ALL OF ITS RESIDENTS.
23 THIS IS A FUNDAMENTAL COMPONENT OF GENERAL HEALTH AND IS
24 INDISPENSABLE TO PERSONAL WELL-BEING, FAMILY AND INTERPERSONAL
25 RELATIONSHIPS AND THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH



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1 COMMISSION, ALONG WITH THE L.A. COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL
2 HEALTH, HAVE JOINED WITH THE BOARD IN A FOCUSED EFFORT TO
3 RAISE AWARENESS AND UNDERSTANDING OF THE MENTAL HEALTH AND
4 MENTAL ILLNESSES DURING THE MONTH OF MAY, 2009. THE DEPARTMENT
5 AND COMMISSION WILL BE COSPONSORING THE ANNUAL RECOGNITION
6 AWARD IN MAY. AND MENTAL HEALTH COMMUNITIES AROUND THE COUNTY
7 WILL HOLD SPECIAL EVENTS IN THEIR JURISDICTIONS. WE WILL ALSO
8 BE CLAIMING NEXT WEEK, MAY 7TH AS NATIONAL CHILDREN'S MENTAL
9 ILLNESS AWARENESS DAY THROUGHOUT OUR COUNTY. AND THIS IS AN
10 OPPORTUNITY FOR THE MENTAL HEALTH COMMUNITIES AND THEIR
11 PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS TO PROMOTE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES
12 DELIVERY FOR OUR CHILDREN WHO HAVE SERIOUS MENTAL HEALTH NEEDS
13 AND THEIR FAMILIES. SO WE ARE NOW GOING TO SHOW A THREE-MINUTE
14 HIGHLIGHTING THE IMPORTANCE OF NATIONAL CHILDREN'S MENTAL
15 HEALTH AWARENESS DAY. IT'S NOT ON, I DON'T THINK. OKAY, THERE
16 YOU GO.

17
18 **SPEAKER:** JACOB IS MY GRANDSON, BIG BROTHER TO MICHAEL WHO IS
19 FOUR YEARS OLD, AND TRISTAN, 18 MONTHS OLD. EVEN AT FOUR YEARS
20 OLD, HE WAS A SELF-APPOINTED BIG BROTHER, ALWAYS CONCERNED
21 WITH THE WELL-BEING OF HIS BROTHERS. I BELIEVE THE REASON FOR
22 HIS CONCERN MAY HAVE BEEN THAT HE SAW HOSTILITY AND
23 EXPERIENCED NEGLECT. HIS PARENTS YELLING AT EACH OTHER,
24 PUSHING AND SHOVING, HIM MISSING SCHOOL AND WAKING UP AT NIGHT
25 LOOKING FOR HIS PARENTS. EVEN NOW, WHEN THE PHONE RINGS OR A



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1 CAR PASSES BY HONKING, HE ASKS: WHAT HAPPENED? THEIR FATHER,
2 MY SON ALEXANDER, AND HIS GIRLFRIEND BOTH SOUGHT ESCAPE AND
3 JOY IN DRUGS, WHICH WAS THE REASON THE CHILDREN DIDN'T COME
4 FIRST IN THEIR LIVES. D.C.F.S. CAME INTO THE PICTURE, AND I,
5 THEIR 59-YEAR-OLD GRANDMOTHER, WAS GIVEN TEMPORARY CUSTODY OF
6 THE THREE BOYS. WE WERE OFFERED SUPPORT THROUGH PROJECT
7 A.B.C., AND I CHOSE TO PARTICIPATE, REALIZING AND HOPING THAT
8 THE FUTURE FOR THESE CHILDREN WOULD BE BETTER BECAUSE OF IT.
9 MICHAEL, JACOB'S YOUNGER BROTHER, HAD BEEN DIAGNOSED WITH
10 AUTISM. I FIRST REALIZED THAT HE HAD SPECIAL NEEDS WHEN HE WAS
11 A YEAR OLD, AND I TRIED TO GET HIS ATTENTION, BUT HE DIDN'T
12 HAVE THE ABILITY TO FOLLOW MY VOICE OR MY HAND. HE LINED UP
13 HIS TOYS IN A STRAIGHT LINE AND NEVER SPOKE, BUT HE WAS ALSO
14 VERY SMART. THE DOCTOR AT PROJECT A.B.C. ASSISTED ME WITH THE
15 SERVICES THAT ARE PROVIDED TO HIM THROUGH THE REGIONAL CENTER.
16 HE IS STILL IN PRESCHOOL, BUT HE HAS PERFECT SCHOOL
17 ATTENDANCE. HIS TEACHER JUST RECENTLY SAID "HE ALWAYS COMES TO
18 SCHOOL SO CLEAN NOW." HE IS ALSO VERY AFFECTIONATE. MY MICHAEL
19 IS THE APPLE OF MY EYE. PROJECT A.B.C. CONTINUES TO HAVE A
20 POSITIVE IMPACT ON THIS FAMILY. JACOB IS NOW ABLE TO
21 COMMUNICATE BETTER, HE DOESN'T WAKE UP IN THE MIDDLE OF THE
22 NIGHT ANYMORE, AND HE IS BECOMING HIS OWN PERSON. BUT I AM
23 STILL LOOKING FORWARD TO THE DAY WHEN HE WILL STOP ASKING
24 "WHAT HAPPENED?" I, TOO, HAVE BENEFITED. EVEN THOUGH I HAVEN'T
25 BEEN ABLE TO DO MANY OF THE THINGS I USED TO DO AND OFTEN MAY



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1 HAVE FELT OVERWHELMED, THE FACT THAT I CAN SEE MY
2 GRANDCHILDREN CONFIDENT, ENJOYING THEIR LIFE AND BEING ABLE TO
3 PLAY WITH OTHER CHILDREN MAKES IT ALL WORTH IT. MY SON, ALEX,
4 NOW HAS A POSITIVE ATTITUDE TOWARD D.C.F.S. AND BELIEVES THAT
5 IT MOTIVATED HIM TO BECOME A BETTER PERSON AND A BETTER FATHER
6 TO HIS SONS. THE CHILDREN, THEIR FATHER, AND I CAN NOW SEE THE
7 LIGHT AT THE END OF THE TUNNEL, BEING HELD BY PROJECT A.B.C. I
8 WANT TO ENCOURAGE OTHER FAMILIES THAT THERE IS NO SHAME IN
9 ACCEPTING ASSISTANCE AND GUIDANCE FROM PROFESSIONALS. IT'S A
10 SHAME IF YOU DON'T, BECAUSE THEY CAN HELP. THEIR HAND IS NOT
11 THERE TO POINT, BUT TO LIFT.

12

13 **SINGER:** LOOKING THROUGH THE EYES OF LOVE. AND NOW I DO
14 BELIEVE. [APPLAUSE.]

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU. LET ME MAKE A SCROLL PRESENTATION
17 TO MENTAL HEALTH. LET'S DO A PICTURE AND THEN SAY A FEW WORDS.

18

19 **DR. MARVIN SOUTHARD:** I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND
20 THE BOARD FOR THE SUPPORT, FOR THE RECOGNITION OF MAY AS
21 MENTAL HEALTH MONTH, AND PARTICULARLY FOR THE IMPORTANCE OF
22 INTERVENING EARLY IN THE PROCESS OF MENTAL ILLNESS, AS SEEN IN
23 THIS VIDEO. AND AS I THINK YOU WILL RECOGNIZE FROM THE VIDEO,
24 THAT MAKING A DIFFERENCE FOR MENTAL ILLNESS IN THE LIVES OF
25 CHILDREN REQUIRES PARTNERSHIP. THE MENTAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT



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1 CANNOT DO THAT ALONE. WE NEED TO DO IT IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE
2 COMMUNITY, WITH AGENCIES LIKE D.C.F.S., CHILDREN'S INSTITUTE
3 INTERNATIONAL, CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL, AND THE OTHER PARTNERS IN
4 THE PROJECT A.B.C. PROJECT A.B.C. IS JUST ONE OF THE MANY
5 THINGS THAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO TO PREVENT MENTAL ILLNESS FROM
6 DISABLING PEOPLE. WE HOPE TO ADVANCE THE CAUSE OF HOPE, OF
7 WELLNESS AND RECOVERY FROM MENTAL ILLNESS IN THE LIVES OF ALL
8 THE PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. SO I WANT TO THANK THE BOARD
9 FOR THEIR SUPPORT IN THIS PROCESS. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

10

11 **JERRY LUBIN:** I'M JERRY LUBIN, CHAIR OF THE MENTAL HEALTH
12 COMMISSION. AND I WANT TO THANK THE SUPERVISORS, INCLUDING
13 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY WHO APPOINTED ME, BECAUSE IT GIVES ME
14 AN OPPORTUNITY TO GIVE BACK. I'M A FAMILY MEMBER. MY DAUGHTER,
15 YEARS AGO, WAS A CLIENT OF THIS COUNTY AND OF THE STATE
16 HOSPITAL SYSTEM. SHE GOT OUT IN 14 MONTHS AFTER A PROGNOSIS
17 THAT SHE'D PROBABLY BE INSTITUTIONALIZED FOR THE REST OF HER
18 LIFE. THIS BOARD HAS REALLY COME THROUGH FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF
19 MENTAL HEALTH, SAVING IT FROM CUTS THAT HAVE BEEN
20 UNFORTUNATELY FORCED UPON ALMOST EVERY DEPARTMENT AND EVERY
21 WAY IN WHICH THE COUNTY PROVIDES SERVICES. DURING THESE
22 CRITICAL TIMES, WHICH ARE LIKELY TO GET WORSE AFTER MAY 19TH,
23 WE WILL ALL BE LOOKING AGAIN TO THE BOARD FOR ITS SUPPORT AND
24 TO THE COMMUNITY AT LARGE IN RECOGNITION NOT ONLY OF MENTAL
25 HEALTH MONTH BUT ITS MENTAL HEALTH EVERY DAY THAT WE ARE



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1 CONCERNED, PREVENTION, EARLY INTERVENTION, AND TREATMENT.

2 THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW WE WANT TO RECOGNIZE A ROTARIAN

5 INTERNATIONAL GROUP STUDY EXCHANGE PROGRAM WITH SPECIAL

6 ROTARIANS FROM NANCY, FRANCE, WHO ARE HERE THIS MORNING.

7 ROTARY INTERNATIONAL IS THE WORLD'S FIRST SERVICE CLUB

8 ORGANIZATION. ITS MORE THAN 1.2 MILLION MEMBERS VOLUNTEER

9 THEIR TIME AND TALENT TO FURTHER THE ROTARY MOTTO, "SERVICE

10 ABOVE SELF." AND WHAT'S IMPORTANT IS THIS ORGANIZATION,

11 ROTARIANS INTERNATIONAL, BY POOLING TOGETHER ALL THEIR LITTLE

12 RESOURCES, WERE ABLE TO ERADICATE POLIO THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.

13 AND THAT WAS THEIR PROJECT. THE WALL STREET JOURNAL QUOTED

14 "THIS WAS THE MOST SUCCESSFUL HEALTH PROGRAM THAT ANY

15 ORGANIZATION OR GOVERNMENT HAD EVER DONE," WHERE THEY TOOK

16 UPON THEMSELVES AN ABILITY WITH THE PAUL HARRIS FELLOWSHIP

17 FUNDRAISING APPARATUS, TO RAISE THE REVENUES AND ERADICATE

18 POLIO. WELL NOW THIS PROGRAM THAT THEY HAVE TODAY IS AN

19 EXCHANGE PROGRAM, WHICH IS A UNIQUE CULTURAL, LOCATIONAL

20 EXCHANGE OPPORTUNITY FOR BUSINESS PEOPLE AND PROFESSIONALS.

21 THE MEMBERS FROM FRANCE EXPERIENCE THE HOST COUNTRY'S CULTURE

22 AND INSTITUTIONS, THEY OBSERVE HOW THEIR VOCATIONS AND

23 PRACTICES ABROAD, DEVELOP PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL

24 RELATIONSHIPS AND EXCHANGE IDEAS. TWO OF THE MEMBERS OF OUR

25 HOST CLUB ARE FROM THE GLENDALE ROTARY, TOM AND RALA LINDSAY.



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1 TOM, AN ARCHITECT, RALA, A PROFESSOR. THEY BROUGHT FIVE GROUP
2 STUDY EXCHANGE MEMBERS FROM FRANCE, CORDULA HILDEBRANT, MAUDE
3 PORTIER, FLORENT RENAQ, SEBASTIAN TIENGIN AND COLIN CHERTS.
4 AND WE WANT TO EXTEND OUR WELCOME TO THEM. WE ARE ALL INDEBTED
5 TO ONE OF THE GREAT AMERICAN HISTORY, A FRENCHMAN BY THE MAN
6 ALEXIS DE TOCQUEVILLE, WHO WROTE A WONDERFUL BOOK CALLED
7 DEMOCRACY IN AMERICA, WHICH POINTED OUT THE CHARACTERISTICS
8 THAT AMERICA HAD FOR THE REST OF THE WORLD. I'M PROUD TO SAY
9 THAT BOOK IS STILL BEING USED IN OUR SCHOOLS ACROSS THE NATION
10 TODAY BECAUSE OF THE INTELLECTUAL INSIGHT THAT HE HAD. SO LET
11 ME GIVE YOU THESE PROCLAMATIONS, AND THEN WE'LL ASK TOM AND
12 RALA TO SAY A FEW WORDS. SO FLORENT?

13

14 **RALA LINDSAY:** THANK YOU, ALL, THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR
15 ANTONOVICH. THOSE OF YOU WHO HAVE BEEN HERE BEFORE KNOW THAT
16 WE COME EVERY YEAR. OUR SUPERVISOR GRACIOUSLY WELCOMES OUR
17 GROUP STUDY EXCHANGE, THIS YEAR FROM FRANCE. IT'S OUR GREAT
18 PRIVILEGE TO HELP FORWARD INTERNATIONAL UNDERSTANDING AND WE
19 GET TO LEARN A LITTLE BIT MORE ABOUT EACH OTHER. THANK YOU
20 VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MIKE, DO YOU HAVE AN ANIMAL?

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE HAVE LITTLE ABBIE HERE. ABBIE IS EIGHT
25 WEEKS OLD LOOKING FOR A LITTLE HOME. HER NAME IS ABBIE. A



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1 LITTLE SHEPHERD MIX. ANYBODY LIKE TO ADOPT LITTLE ABBIE? I
2 KNOW DR. THOMAS WOULD LIKE TO ADOPT HER AND MAKE HER PART OF
3 THE MASCOT FOR N.A.A.C.P., YEAH? SO, ANYWAY, LITTLE ABBIE IS
4 LOOKING FOR A HOME. YOU CAN CALL 562-728-4644. COMES WITH A
5 NICE LITTLE COLLAR.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA:** WELL, IT'S MY HONOR THIS MORNING -- AND DO WE
10 HAVE OUR PARKS HERE ARE HERE, THEY ARE SOMEWHERE HERE. IT'S MY
11 HONOR THIS MORNING, I AM JOINED BY QUITE A FEW PEOPLE, BUT IN
12 PARTICULAR DAVID AND RACHEL KRAFT. THEY, AS WELL AS SOME OF
13 OUR FOLKS, ARE GOING TO BE COMING UP IN A MINUTE. WE'RE
14 PLEASED TO RECOGNIZE DAVID AND RACHEL. THEY'RE VERY, VERY
15 SPECIAL FOLKS. THEY ARE THE FOUNDERS OF THE BELVEDERE PARK
16 YOUTH FISHING CLUB. OVER 12 YEARS AGO, WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF
17 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION, THE
18 KRAFTS ESTABLISHED THE CLUB TO SERVE YOUNG PEOPLE IN EAST LOS
19 ANGELES. RECENTLY, THE CLUB WAS FEATURED IN THE FISH TACO
20 CHRONICLES, WHICH IS A PROMINENT SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA SPORTS
21 FISHING MAGAZINE. THE BELVEDERE FISHING CLUB PROVIDES FUN, A
22 NURTURING ENVIRONMENT FOR MANY OF OUR LOCAL YOUNGSTERS TO
23 ENGAGE IN THE SPORT OF FISHING. CLUB MEMBERS RECEIVE FISHING
24 SUPPLIES AND THEY PARTICIPATE IN EDUCATIONAL FISHING
25 EXCURSIONS WHERE THEY LEARN ABOUT THE WONDERS OF SEA LIFE, THE



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1 PLANETS, THE OCEAN AND OF COURSE OUR NATURAL ENVIRONMENT. THE
2 FISHING CLUB ALSO PROVIDES THOUSANDS OF TOYS AND FISHING POLES
3 FOR OUR KIDS IN EAST LOS ANGELES THROUGH THE ANNUAL BELVEDERE
4 PARK HOLIDAY TOY GIVE AWAY. ALSO, THE KRAFTS ARE RESPONSIBLE
5 FOR COORDINATING THE WELL-KNOWN BELVEDERE PARK LAKE FISHING
6 DERBY. THERE IS A LAKE IN EAST L.A., BELIEVE IT OR NOT.
7 [LAUGHTER.] WHERE HUNDREDS OF YOUNG, EAGER FISHERMEN COME
8 TOGETHER AND THEY COMPETE FOR THE BIGGEST CATCH. TODAY, WE'RE
9 VERY PROUD TO HONOR DAVID AND RACHEL, ALONG WITH OUR PARKS
10 FOLKS. RUSS IS HERE, RUSS GUINEY, THEY'VE BEEN A PART OF IT.
11 AND ACKNOWLEDGE THE PARK, BELVEDERE PARK YOUTH FISHING CLUB
12 FOR ITS WORTHY EFFORTS, AS WELL. THEY HAVE BEEN DOING
13 TREMENDOUS WORK. WE'RE VERY PROUD OF THEM. NOT ALL OF THEM ARE
14 HERE. MANY OF THEM ARE IN SCHOOL. BUT BECAUSE OF THE
15 LEADERSHIP OF THIS WONDERFUL COUPLE, WE ARE SO PROUD TO HAVE
16 YOU HERE TO HONOR YOU FOR THE TREMENDOUS WORK THAT YOU DO.
17 RACHEL, CONGRATULATIONS. DAVID, GOOD JOB.

18

19 **DAVID KRAFT:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA:** WANT TO SHARE A COUPLE WORDS? I'M GOING TO ASK
22 DAVID TO SAY A FEW WORDS AND THEN I'M GOING TO INVITE RUSS UP
23 IN A MINUTE.

24



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1 **DAVID KRAFT:** YES, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK GLORIA MOLINA,
2 SUPERVISOR, AND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR ALLOWING US TO
3 COME. AND IT'S A PLEASURE TO COME HERE, AND EDUCATIONAL. THESE
4 KIDS, I DON'T KNOW WHAT I'D DO WITHOUT THE CLUB. I TAKE THEM
5 TO THE OCEAN, OVERNIGHT CAMPING, FISHING, TO SEE THEM WHEN
6 THEY CATCH THEIR FIRST FISH ON THE BOAT. FIRST THEY TURN
7 GREEN, THEY TURN BLUE. AND THEN AFTER A WHILE WHEN THEY CATCH
8 THE FIRST FISH, I TURN AROUND, BECAUSE I KNOW WHO'S GETTING
9 SICK, KEEP MY EYE ON THEM. AND THEY DROP IN A BURRITO AND
10 EATING. AND THEN THEY'RE AFTER ANOTHER FISH. IT'S SUCH A
11 POSITIVE CLUB. I HAVE A COUPLE THAT WENT TO IRAQ, CAME BACK.
12 THEY BROUGHT THEIR PARENTS OVER TO THE HOUSE AND GAVE ME A HUG
13 FOR HAVING A POSITIVE CLUB FOR THE COMMUNITY. ONE OF THEM, I
14 TOOK THEM TO A COLLEGE ON THE BUS. THEY WERE ABOUT TO
15 GRADUATE, SO I TOOK THEM ON THE TOUR OVER THERE AND ONE OF
16 THEM BECAME A BIOLOGIST AND THE OTHER ONE JOINED THE
17 CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL. IT'S A VERY POSITIVE CLUB. WE NEED
18 TO RECOGNIZE THE GOOD KIDS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD. ALL WE HEAR IS
19 ABOUT THE OTHER KIND. BUT THERE ARE SO MANY GOOD KIDS. AND IT
20 IS GOOD TO TAKE THEM OUT AND SEE THEM ENJOYING THEMSELVES. I
21 REALLY THANK THE BOARD FOR INVITING US. THANK YOU. I'M SHORT
22 OF WORDS, BUT THANK YOU. THANK YOU, GLORIA. [APPLAUSE.]
23
24 **SUP. MOLINA:** AS YOU CAN SEE, IT'S A VERY IMPORTANT LEADERSHIP
25 THAT THEY PROVIDE FOR ALL OF THESE YOUNG PEOPLE FOR A NUMBER



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1 OF YEARS. LET ME ALSO PRESENT A CERTIFICATE TO THE CLUB ITSELF
2 FOR THE GREAT WORK THAT THEY DO. THERE ARE SO MANY MEMBERS.
3 THEY ALL ENJOY IT. AND AS THEY GROW OLDER, THEY ALL COME BACK
4 AND HELP WITH THE YOUNGER KIDS, RIGHT? THEY PROVIDE A LOT OF
5 MENTORING, AS WELL. SO THAT'S GOING ON. SO, RACHEL, SO YOU
6 PRESENT THAT TO ALL OF THE YOUNG PEOPLE, THIS IS FOR THE CLUB
7 ITSELF. BUT I'M ALSO ASKING RUSS TO COME UP AND JOIN US.
8 THEY'VE HAD GREAT SUPPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT, ALL THE PEOPLE
9 THAT WORK THERE, ALL THE FOLKS AT BELVEDERE PARK, EVERYWHERE.
10 AND SO WE REALLY ENJOY IT. WE WANT TO CONGRATULATE YOU AND
11 THANK YOU, AS WELL, FOR SPONSORING THEM AND SUPPORTING THEM.
12 SO WHY DON'T YOU SHARE A FEW WORDS?

13

14 **RUSS GUINEY:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. FOR THOUSANDS OF YEARS,
15 FISHING HAS BEEN A MEANS OF SURVIVAL FOR HUMAN BEINGS. AND OF
16 COURSE THE FOOD PRODUCT TODAY IS STILL IMPORTANT, BUT MORE
17 IMPORTANT IS THE SURVIVAL OF OUR VERY SOULS OF OUR YOUNG
18 PEOPLE AND THEIR SPIRITS IN THIS TOUGH URBAN WORLD THAT WE
19 LIVE IN. AND WE HAVE 14 LAKES THROUGHOUT THE PARK SYSTEM. WE
20 HAVE MANY FISHING PROGRAMS. THIS IS ONE OF THE BEST. AND IT'S
21 ONE OF THE BEST BECAUSE OF THE STAFF AND BECAUSE OF WHAT THE
22 KRAFTS DO. I WANT TO RECOGNIZE ORTILLA VASQUEZ AND PETER
23 MARTINEZ FROM OUR STAFF, MARTIN RAScone AND FRANK GONZALEZ FOR
24 WHAT THEY DO. AND ESPECIALLY TO DAVID AND RACHEL FOR THE GREAT
25 OPPORTUNITIES THAT THEY'VE GIVEN THESE YOUNG PEOPLE AND THE



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1 SUCCESS STORIES THAT DAVID HAS TALKED ABOUT. SOMETHING AS
2 SIMPLE AS FISHING CAN CHANGE PEOPLE'S LIVES. SO THANK YOU VERY
3 MUCH AND THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR, FOR YOUR SUPPORT. [APPLAUSE.]

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE'RE GOING TO DO PUBLIC HEARINGS, BUT
6 BEFORE WE DO THAT, I JUST WANT TO LET EVERYONE KNOW, WE WILL
7 HAVE A PRESENTATION AT 1:00 THIS AFTERNOON ON THE SWINE FLU
8 ISSUE AND THE STATE OF READINESS HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I
9 ALSO AM GOING TO BRING A MOTION IN RIGHT NOW TO BE PART OF THE
10 DISCUSSION AT 1:00. ON SUNDAY, APRIL 26TH, THE UNITED STATES
11 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES DECLARED A NATIONWIDE
12 PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY IN RESPONSE TO RECENT HUMAN CASES OF A
13 NEWLY DISCOVERED SWINE INFLUENZA A VIRUS. THIS DECLARATION
14 WILL HELP THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT PREPARE FOR PREVENTION AND
15 MITIGATION ACTIVITIES, TO BE PROACTIVE IN RESPONDING TO THIS
16 NEW VIRUS. PURSUANT TO STATE STATUTE, THE COUNTY HAS THE
17 AUTHORITY TO ISSUE A SIMILAR DECLARATION SO AS TO ALLOW IT TO
18 RESPOND APPROPRIATELY TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC HEALTH OF THE
19 CITIZENS OF OUR LOS ANGELES COUNTY. SO I THEREFORE MOVE THAT
20 AS THIS HEALTH EMERGENCY CAME TO THIS BOARD'S ATTENTION, SINCE
21 THE POSTING OF THE AGENDA AND IMMEDIATE ACTION IS NECESSARY TO
22 ADDRESS THE PUBLIC HEALTH NEEDS, THE BOARD DISCUSS THIS
23 MATTER, CONSIDER THE PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS' RECOMMENDATION,
24 INCLUDING A DECLARATION OF A LOCAL HEALTH EMERGENCY ON AN
25 URGENCY BASIS. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT



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1 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. AND THEN WE WILL DISCUSS IN DETAIL THE
2 SITUATION AT 1:00 THIS AFTERNOON. OKAY, THANK YOU. WE WILL
3 BEGIN WITH PUBLIC HEARINGS.

4

5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS, ITEMS 1
6 THROUGH 10, ALL THOSE WHO PLAN TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE BOARD,
7 PLEASE STAND AND RAISE YOUR RIGHT HAND TO BE SWORN IN. IN THE
8 TESTIMONY YOU MAY GIVE BEFORE THIS BOARD, DO YOU SOLEMNLY
9 AFFIRM TO TELL THE TRUTH, THE WHOLE TRUTH AND NOTHING BUT THE
10 TRUTH SO HELP YOU GOD? THANK YOU. YOU MAY BE SEATED. ITEM NO.
11 1, THIS IS A HEARING ON ANNEXATION OF PETITIONS TO COUNTY
12 LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1687 AND COUNTY LIGHTING
13 DISTRICT LLA-1, UNINCORPORATED ZONE, AND THE LEVYING OF
14 ASSESSMENTS WITHIN THE ANNEXED TERRITORIES FOR STREET LIGHTING
15 PURPOSES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2009-2010. THERE IS A DEPARTMENT
16 STATEMENT ON THIS MATTER.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. WE'LL HAVE A DEPARTMENT
19 STATEMENT AND THEN A COUPLE FOLKS HAVE SIGNED UP TO COMMENT.

20

21 **DAVID STRINGER:** CHAIRMAN AND HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
22 DAVID STRINGER AND I'M A SENIOR CIVIL ENGINEER FOR THE
23 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I AM FAMILIAR WITH THESE
24 PROCEEDINGS FOR THE ANNEXATION OF LIGHTING MAINTENANCE
25 DISTRICT OF 1687 AND COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICTS LLA-1,



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1 UNINCORPORATED ZONE AND THE LEVYING AND COLLECTION OF
2 ASSESSMENTS FOR THE TERRITORIES IDENTIFIED IN THE BOARD LETTER
3 WHICH ARE LOCATED IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES OF
4 VALINDA, SOUTH WHITTIER, HACIENDA HEIGHTS, LA CRESCENT, AND
5 GORMAN. IN MY OPINION, THESE TERRITORIES WILL BE BENEFITED BY
6 THE ANNEXATION AND THE SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED AND THE
7 PROPOSED ASSESSMENTS HAVE BEEN SPREAD IN PROPORTION TO
8 BENEFIT. WE'RE ALSO RECOMMENDING THAT YOUR BOARD ACCEPT THE
9 NEGOTIATED EXCHANGE OF PROPERTY TAX REVENUES FOR THE NONEXEMPT
10 TAXING AGENCIES.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IS THAT OKAY?

13

14 **LARRY HAFETZ, COUNSEL:** THAT'S FINE.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE WILL OPEN FOR PUBLIC HEARING. GOD
17 KNOWS I WOULDN'T WANT TO GO ACROSS THE COUNTY COUNSEL. JUST BE
18 GENTLE AND KIND. MICHAEL DAHLEM AND JAMES PAUL, IF YOU WOULD
19 COME FORWARD, PLEASE?

20

21 **MICHAEL DAHLEM:** LADIES AND GENTLEMEN OF THE CITY COUNCIL, MY
22 NAME IS MICHAEL DAHLEM, AND I RESIDE ON ONE OF THE STREETS
23 THAT'S PROPOSED TO BE LIGHTED. GIVEN THE STATE OF THE BUDGET
24 CRISIS IN CALIFORNIA AND HERE IN PARTICULAR, I LIVED ON THIS
25 STREET FOR 42 YEARS. AND IT'S A SMALL FEEDER STREET. IT



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1 DOESN'T REALLY HAVE NECESSITY FOR THE AMOUNT OF LIGHTING WHICH
2 IS GOING TO BE EIGHT LIGHTS ON OUR STREET. WE DON'T REALLY
3 NEED SIDEWALKS. IT'S A VERY SMALL STREET LOCATED BETWEEN TWO
4 MAJOR STREETS THAT ARE BOTH WELL-LIT, BOTH HAVE SIDEWALKS. AND
5 I KNOW WE'D PROBABLY PUT SOME PEOPLE TO WORK FOR A COUPLE
6 MONTHS PUTTING THE LIGHTS IN AND EVERYTHING, BUT THOSE LIGHTS
7 WILL BE CONNECTED TO THE POWER GRID FOR THE NEXT HUNDRED
8 YEARS. I UNDERSTAND THAT PEOPLE THINK THAT LIGHTING THE
9 STREETS IS A GOOD IDEA, BUT NOT EVERYBODY WANTS THE NIGHT
10 TURNED INTO DAY. WE HAVE PORCH LIGHTS ON OUR PORCHES. IF WE
11 NEED LIGHTING, I THINK THE INDIVIDUAL PERSON CAN PROVIDE FOR
12 THAT WELL ENOUGH WITHOUT THE CITY HAVING TO PUT 8 LIGHTS OVER
13 OUR HEAD WITH THE LIGHTING, WIRING THAT'S NEEDED AND BASICALLY
14 TAKING THE PRIVATE PROPERTY OF PEOPLE, EVEN THOUGH IT'S A
15 SMALL LITTLE SPOT OF LAND, IT'S STILL A PERSON'S PRIVATE
16 PROPERTY. LIKE I SAY, IF WE HAD A LOT OF CRIME IN OUR
17 NEIGHBORHOOD, I COULD SEE THE NEED FOR IT. BUT IN THE TIME
18 THAT I'VE LIVED THERE WE HAVEN'T HAD HARDLY ANY INCIDENCES OF
19 VANDALISM OR VIOLENT CRIME OR ANYTHING LIKE THAT. SO WHAT
20 WE'RE LOOKING AT BASICALLY IS PUTTING IT INTO A SMALL
21 NEIGHBORHOOD THAT DOESN'T REALLY NEED IT. AND WHAT I'M TRYING
22 TO DO IS -- ANY PROJECT THAT'S NOT NECESSARY IN THIS DAY AND
23 AGE, I THINK WE SHOULD REALLY TAKE A HARD LOOK AT SAYING: DO
24 WE NEED TO DO IT NOW? OR CAN WE PUT IT OFF? THERE'S JUST NO
25 NEED TO SPEND THE MONEY. I KNOW IT'S NOT QUITE A LOT OF MONEY



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1 COMPARED TO THE MILLIONS THAT COULD BE SPENT. BUT THIS IS
2 ANOTHER DROP IN THE BUCKET THAT I THINK COULD BE SPENT
3 SOMEWHERE BETTER ELSE THAN LIGHTING AN ALREADY WELL-LIT
4 STREET.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. YES, SIR?

7

8 **JAMES PAUL:** PARDON ME, IT'S REALLY HARD FOR ME TO SPEAK TO
9 PEOPLE ON A NORMAL BASIS. BUT I CAME IN FROM ALBUQUERQUE, NEW
10 MEXICO IN '97. AND I'VE BEEN TAKING PICTURES OF STREETLIGHTS
11 THAT ARE ON ALL DAY LONG THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
12 FROM THROUGHOUT FONTANA, REALTO, RIVERSIDE, NORTH HOLLYWOOD,
13 WEST L.A., ALL OVER THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. I USED TO INSTALL
14 CARPET FOR LOWES. AND I HAVE 88.9 HOURS OF VIDEO STRAIGHT
15 STREETLIGHTS ON ALL DAY LONG FROM '97 TO 2004. WELL, THEY
16 TURNED THEM OFF, MOST OF THEM, BUT NOW THEY'RE IN FRONT OF
17 CERTAIN SCHOOLS AND ON FREEWAYS AND ON ARTESIA, AND ARTESIA
18 AND 91, ON FIGUEROA AND 110, WHERE I WAS THE OTHER DAY.
19 THERE'S JUST NUMEROUS LIGHTS THAT ARE STILL ON DURING THE DAY
20 WHILE WE'RE IN A FISCAL CRISIS AND MONEY IS BEING SPENT
21 UNWISELY. WE SHOULD BE, LIKE THE KIDS, TURN OFF THE LIGHTS
22 DURING THE DAY WHEN YOU LEAVE THE ROOM. WELL WE SHOULD LEAVE
23 THE LIGHTS OFF DURING THE DAY ON OUR STREETS. UNNECESSARY
24 STREETLIGHTS THAT LAMP UP THE LIGHT, THEY'RE ON ALL DAY LONG.
25 AND THIS HAS BEEN GOING ON FOR QUITE A FEW YEARS. I'VE GOT



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1 DOCUMENTED PROOF. I GOT CDS, I GOT PICTURES TO PROVE IT IF YOU
2 WANT TO TAKE A LOOK AT WHAT I HAVE. I HAVE PICTURES.

3

4 **MICHAEL DAHLEM:** WE JUST FEEL THAT IF WE CAN'T CONTROL -- IT'S
5 RIDICULOUS TO HAVE A STREETLIGHT ON DURING THE DAYTIME. AND IF
6 THAT'S GOING ON, LIKE HE SAYS, HE HAS QUITE A LOT OF
7 DOCUMENTATION THAT DURING THE MIDDLE OF THE DAY STREETLIGHTS
8 ARE BURNING BRIGHT WASTING ELECTRICITY. I DON'T WANT TO SEE
9 THAT HAPPEN ON MY STREET. IT WOULD DRIVE HIM CRAZY. SO I THINK
10 IF WE CAN'T REALLY GET A HANDLE ON STREETLIGHTS THAT ARE
11 BURNING DAY AND NIGHT, THEN WE DON'T NEED TO BE ADDING ANYMORE
12 STREETLIGHTS TO AN ALREADY OVERBURDENED POWER GRID. AND IT'S
13 JUST MONEY BETTER SPENT SOMEWHERE ELSE.

14

15 **JAMES PAUL:** AND I'VE BEEN WATCHING THE NEWS WHERE IT'S
16 CONSERVE ENERGY, YOU KNOW, TURN OFF THE LIGHTS. WELL, WE HAVE
17 THEM ALL OVER OUR STREETS.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, THANK YOU.

20

21 **MICHAEL DAHLEM:** THANK YOU.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I THINK IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR THE
24 DEPARTMENT TO AT LEAST SOMEONE FROM PUBLIC WORKS THAT MIGHT BE
25 HERE TO VISIT WITH THIS GENTLEMAN AND MAYBE GET SOME OF THAT



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1 INFORMATION BECAUSE HE BRINGS UP A VERY VALID POINT. AND WE
2 SHOULD NOT BE BURNING STREETLIGHTS DURING THE DAY. [APPLAUSE.]

3

4 **JAMES PAUL:** THANK YOU. I APPRECIATE THAT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO DO WE HAVE SOMEONE FROM PUBLIC WORKS
7 HERE THAT COULD VISIT WITH THIS GENTLEMAN?

8

9 **DAVID STRINGER:** I WILL. I HAVE AND I WILL CONTINUE TALKING
10 WITH HIM.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT, THANK YOU. OKAY.

13

14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MR. CHAIRMAN, ON THIS ITEM IT WOULD BE
15 APPROPRIATE AT THIS TIME TO CLOSE THE HEARING, DIRECT THE
16 TABULATION OF BALLOTS AND TABLE THE ITEM UNTIL LATER IN THE
17 MEETING FOR TABULATION RESULTS AND ACTION BY YOUR BOARD.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I WOULD MOVE THAT. SECONDED BY
20 SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WE WILL TABLE THIS ITEM UNTIL THE BALLOTS
21 ARE COUNTED. THANK YOU.

22

23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NO. 2, THIS IS A HEARING ON ANNEXATION
24 OF APPROVED TENTATIVE SUBDIVISION TERRITORIES TO COUNTY
25 LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1687 AND 1697 IN COUNTY LIGHT



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2 LEVYING OF ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS WITHIN ANNEXED TERRITORIES FOR
3 STREET LIGHTING PURPOSES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2009-2010. THERE IS A
4 DEPARTMENT STATEMENT ON THIS MATTER.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

7

8 **DAVID STRINGER:** CHAIRMAN AND HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. AGAIN MY
9 NAME IS DAVID STRINGER AND I'M A SENIOR CIVIL ENGINEER FOR THE
10 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I'M FAMILIAR WITH THESE
11 PROCEEDINGS FOR THE ANNEXATION TO LIGHTING MAINTENANCE
12 DISTRICT 1687 AND 1697 AND COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT LLA-1
13 UNINCORPORATED AND CARSON ZONES AND THE LEVYING AND COLLECTION
14 OF ASSESSMENTS FOR THE SUBDIVISIONS IDENTIFIED IN THE BOARD
15 LETTER. THE INVOLVED CITY OF CARSON HAS GRANTED ITS CONSENT
16 AND JURISDICTION. IN MY OPINION, THESE SUBDIVISIONS WILL BE
17 BENEFITED BY THE ANNEXATION AND THE SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED
18 AND THE PROPOSED ASSESSMENTS HAVE BEEN SPREAD IN PROPORTION TO
19 BENEFIT. WE'RE ALSO RECOMMENDING THAT YOUR BOARD ACCEPT THE
20 NEGOTIATED EXCHANGE OF PROPERTY TAX REVENUES FOR THE NON-
21 EXEMPT TAXING AGENCIES.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. MR. CHAIRMAN, IT WOULD BE
24 APPROPRIATE AT THIS TIME TO CLOSE THE HEARING, DIRECT THE



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1 TABULATION OF BALLOTS AND TABLE THE ITEM UNTIL LATER IN THE
2 MEETING FOR TABULATION RESULTS AND ACTION BY THE BOARD.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE HAVE NO ONE SIGNED UP FOR PUBLIC
5 HEARING, IS THAT CORRECT? WE'LL CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND
6 TABLE THIS ITEM UNTIL THE BALLOTS ARE COUNTED.

7

8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** A MOTION?

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I'LL MOVE IT. AND IT'S SECONDED BY
11 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

12

13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NO. 3. THIS IS A HEARING ON PROPOSED
14 STREET NAME CHANGE NO. 759 AND 96TH STREET EAST (SEGMENT A, D-
15 H) TO PINON PINE LANE; AND STREET NAME CHANGE NO. 760 FROM
16 96TH STREET EAST TO 101ST STREET EAST (SEGMENT B AND C), IN
17 THE JUNIPER HILLS COMMUNITY STANDARDS DISTRICT, IN ANTELOPE
18 VALLEY. THERE IS NO DEPARTMENT STATEMENT ON THIS MATTER.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE WILL OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING. DO WE
21 HAVE ANY SPEAKERS ON ITEM NO. 3? OKAY. WE WILL CLOSE THE
22 PUBLIC HEARING. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. SECONDED BY
23 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

24



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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NO. 4, THIS IS THE HEARING TO VACATE,
2 WITH RESERVATIONS, A PORTION OF AN ALLEY EAST OF CONVERSE
3 AVENUE TO SET ASIDE COUNTY-OWNED PROPERTY FOR HIGHWAY PURPOSES
4 NORTH OF GAGE AVENUE AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE HIGHWAY INTO THE
5 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ROAD SYSTEM TO ALLOW FOR THE
6 CONSTRUCTION OF THE GAGE AVENUE POCKET PARK IN THE
7 UNINCORPORATED FLORENCE-FIRESTONE AREA. THERE IS A DEPARTMENT
8 STATEMENT ON THIS MATTER.

9

10 **JOSE SUAREZ:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JOSE SUAREZ. I AM AN
11 ASSOCIATE CIVIL ENGINEER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I
12 HAVE INVESTIGATED THE PROPOSED VACATION OF THE COUNTY'S
13 INTEREST IN THE PORTION OF THE ALLEY EAST OF CONVERSE AVENUE
14 IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF FLORENCE-FIRESTONE. IN MY
15 OPINION, THE INVOLVED PORTION OF THE ALLEY IS NOT NECESSARY
16 FOR PRESENT OR PROSPECTIVE PUBLIC ROADWAY USE AND WILL BE
17 RESERVED FOR NONVEHICULAR TRAVEL PURPOSES. RELATED TO THIS
18 PROPOSED VACATION, A PORTION OF COUNTY-OWNED PROPERTY WILL BE
19 SET ASIDE FOR PUBLIC ROAD AND HIGHWAY PURPOSES NORTH OF GAGE
20 AVENUE AND WILL BE ACCEPTED INTO THE COUNTY ROAD SYSTEM. WE
21 ARE AWARE OF NO WRITTEN PROTESTS TO THE PROPOSED VACATION.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ANY PUBLIC COMMENTS? IF NOT, THEN WE'LL
24 OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING. PUBLIC HEARING IS CLOSED. MOVED BY



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1 SUPERVISOR MOLINA. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS.

2 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

3

4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NO. 7, THIS IS THE DE NOVO HEARING ON
5 CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT CASE NO. 2005-00151, VARIANCE CASE NO.
6 2007-00011, AND TENTATIVE PARCEL MAP NO. 063010, AND NEGATIVE
7 DECLARATION LOCATED AT 2716 WILLOWHAVEN DRIVE WITHIN THE LA
8 CRESCENTA-MONTROSE COMMUNITY STANDARD DISTRICT, AND LA
9 CRESCENTA ZONE DISTRICT APPLIED FOR BY ALEX ROGIC. THERE IS A
10 DEPARTMENT STATEMENT ON THIS MATTER.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. AND WE HAVE A NUMBER OF SPEAKERS
13 SIGNED UP, AS WELL, TOO.

14

15 **JODIE SACKETT:** YES, GOOD MORNING, CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE
16 BOARD. MY NAME IS JODIE SACKETT, AND I AM A SENIOR REGIONAL
17 PLANNING ASSISTANT WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF
18 REGIONAL PLANNING. PREVIOUSLY YOUR BOARD HEARD A PRESENTATION
19 AND TESTIMONY FOR A TENTATIVE PARCEL MAP NO. 063010 AND
20 ASSOCIATED PERMITS ON OCTOBER 28TH, 2008. THE APPLICANT, MR.
21 ROGIC, WAS DIRECTED BY YOUR BOARD TO REDESIGN THE PROPOSED
22 SUBDIVISION PROJECT ACCORDING TO THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINES:
23 THAT HE SHALL, A, REDUCE THE SUBDIVISION FROM THREE TO TWO
24 LOTS; B, LIMIT THE HEIGHT OF THE PROPOSED HOME TO TWO STORIES;
25 C, LIMIT THE BUILDING HEIGHT TO A MAXIMUM OF 25 FEET; AND, D,



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1 INCREASE THE FRONT YARD SETBACK DISTANCE TO A MINIMUM OF 15
2 FEET. STAFF HAS REVIEWED THE REVISED PROJECT DESIGN AND HAS
3 DETERMINED THAT IT MEETS THE FOUR REDESIGN CRITERIA PREVIOUSLY
4 DIRECTED BY YOUR BOARD ON OCTOBER 28TH. SINCE THE OCTOBER
5 28TH, 2009 BOARD HEARING, STAFF HAS RECEIVED TWO ADDITIONAL
6 LETTERS OF CORRESPONDENCE FROM LOCAL RESIDENTS OPPOSED TO THE
7 DEVELOPMENT. AS THE PROJECT HAS BEEN REDUCED FROM THREE TO TWO
8 PROPOSED PARCELS WITH ONLY ONE NEW RESIDENCE PROPOSED, A
9 CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT AND VARIANCE ARE NO LONGER NEEDED FOR
10 THE SUBJECT PROJECT. THEREFORE PRESENTED BEFORE YOUR BOARD
11 TODAY IS THE PROPOSED SUBDIVISION ENTITLEMENT ONLY ALONG WITH
12 THE ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION. THEREFORE, BASED ON THE
13 UPDATED PROJECT MATERIALS AND EVIDENCE PRESENTED TO STAFF,
14 STAFF RECOMMENDS THAT YOUR BOARD ADOPT THE NEGATIVE
15 DECLARATION AND ADVISE STAFF TO PREPARE FINDINGS FOR APPROVAL
16 FOR TENTATIVE PARCEL MAP NO. 063010. AND THIS CONCLUDES
17 STAFF'S PRESENTATION.

18
19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IF NOT, WE HAVE A NUMBER OF SPEAKERS.
20 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH WILL CALL THE SPEAKERS FORWARD.

21
22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NINA BEYT, AND GORDON WOOD, AND SONJA
23 MILLIKIN.



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1 **CAROLYN INGRAM SEITZ:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIR, SUPERVISOR
2 ANTONOVICH, BOARD MEMBERS AND TO THE STAFF. MY NAME IS CAROLYN
3 INGRAM SEITZ. I'M A CONSULTANT REPRESENTING THE PROJECT
4 APPLICANT. WE'RE HERE THIS MORNING FOR THIS CONTINUED HEARING
5 ON THE APPEAL OF THE DENIAL OF THE PARCEL MAP BY THE REGIONAL
6 PLANNING COMMISSION. DURING THE LAST HEARING BY THIS BODY,
7 TESTIMONY WAS HEARD FROM THE APPLICANT AND MEMBERS OF THE
8 COMMUNITY BOTH IN SUPPORT AND IN OPPOSITION. AT THE CONCLUSION
9 OF THAT TESTIMONY, WE WERE GIVEN INSTRUCTIONS WHICH WE HEARD
10 AGAIN THIS MORNING ONLY BRIEFLY. THE APPLICANT WAS ENCOURAGED
11 TO DO THE FOLLOWING THINGS: CHANGE THE PARCEL MAP SO HE WAS
12 PROPOSING ONLY TWO PARCELS INSTEAD OF THREE, KEEPING THE
13 EXISTING SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCE AND ADDING ONLY ONE. TO
14 MODIFY THE DESIGN FOR WHAT WOULD BE THE NEW SINGLE-FAMILY
15 RESIDENCE SO IT WAS MORE COMPATIBLE WITH THE MAJORITY OF
16 RESIDENCES IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD, INCREASE THE SETBACKS TO MEET
17 THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE AND COMMUNITY
18 STANDARDS DISTRICT, REDUCE THE HEIGHT OF THE PROPOSED NEW
19 RESIDENCE TO 25 FEET OR LESS, REDUCE THE HEIGHT OF PROPOSED
20 RETAINING WALLS. THE APPLICANT WENT BACK TO THE DRAWING BOARD,
21 AS WAS HIS MANDATE, MODIFYING ALL OF HIS PLANS AS WAS
22 REQUIRED. AND THEN HE SUBMITTED THEM TO THE COUNTY AGENCIES
23 FOR REVIEW. THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING AND THE
24 DEPARTMENTS OF PUBLIC WORKS, FIRE, PARKS AND RECREATION AND
25 HEALTH REVIEWED THE REVISED PARCEL MAP AND THE SITE PLANS AS



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1 THEY HAD ON PREVIOUS VERSIONS OF THE MAP. THESE AGENCIES
2 APPROVED THE TECHNICAL ANALYSES AND THE PARCEL MAP, RELEASING
3 IT FOR PUBLIC HEARING. THE TECHNICAL ANALYSES INCLUDED GEOLOGY
4 AND SOILS REPORT, GRADING, DRAINAGE AND HYDROLOGY. AT THE
5 REQUEST OF PUBLIC WORKS, A LINE OF SIGHT VISIBILITY STUDY WAS
6 ALSO PERFORMED TO ASSURE THAT THE DRIVEWAY FOR THE PROPOSED
7 NEW RESIDENCE WOULD SATISFY PUBLIC WORKS REQUIREMENTS. WHAT
8 YOU SEE NOW IS A PARCEL MAP SHOWING TWO PARCELS, EACH OF WHICH
9 IS GREATER THAN 15,000 SQUARE FEET. YOU MAY RECALL FROM
10 PREVIOUS TESTIMONY THAT THESE PROPOSED PARCELS WILL BE MUCH
11 LARGER THAN MANY PARCELS IN THE IMMEDIATE AREA. THE PROJECT IS
12 WELL BELOW THE DENSITY THRESHOLD, AND THEREFORE THE HILLSIDE
13 C.U.P. PREVIOUSLY UNDER CONSIDERATION AS WELL AS THE VARIANCE
14 WAS WITHDRAWN AS NEITHER IS NOW REQUIRED. THE PROJECT IS AN
15 URBAN INFILL PROJECT BEING PROPOSED ON A PARCEL THAT HAS
16 ACCESS TO EXISTING INFRASTRUCTURE, WATER, SEWER, CABLE T.V.,
17 ELECTRICAL AND NATURAL GAS LINES ARE ALL AVAILABLE ALONG THE
18 PROPERTY FRONTAGE. CRESCENTA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT PROVIDE
19 WILL-SERVE LETTERS FOR BOTH WATER AND SEWER, INDICATING THEY
20 HAVE ADEQUATE CAPACITY TO ACCOMMODATE THE PROPOSED
21 DEVELOPMENT. THE PLANNING STAFF ORIGINALLY RECOMMENDED
22 APPROVAL. THE CRESCENTA VALLEY TOWN COUNCIL TOOK A NEUTRAL
23 POSITION ON THE PROJECT. THIS MORNING, I HEAR THAT THE STAFF
24 IS ALSO RECOMMENDING APPROVAL OF THE REVISED PACKAGE OF
25 MATERIALS. WE BELIEVE THE APPLICANT HAS RESPONDED TO THE



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1 REQUEST FOR CHANGE MADE BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH IN HIS MOTION
2 AT THE PREVIOUS HEARING ON THIS APPEAL AND RESPECTFULLY
3 REQUEST THAT YOU OVERTURN THE PLANNING COMMISSION'S DENIAL AND
4 APPROVE THE PROJECT BEFORE YOU, GRANTING THIS PROPERTY OWNER
5 THE SAME RIGHT ENJOYED BY MANY PROPERTY OWNERS IN HIS AREA.
6 HIS TWO 15,000 SQUARE FEET PARCELS WILL BE ALMOST TWICE THE
7 SIZE OF MANY PARCELS IN THE IMMEDIATE AREA. IF YOU HAVE
8 QUESTIONS, I WOULD BE HAPPY TO ANSWER THEM. IF NOT, I WOULD BE
9 HAPPY TO COME BACK FOR REBUTTAL IF YOU FIND THAT NECESSARY.
10 THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU. YES?

13

14 **NINA BEYT:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS NINA BEYT.
15 THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME THIS OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK. I'LL TRY
16 TO BE BRIEF, BUT THERE ARE A FEW SALIENT POINTS IN DEFENSE OF
17 MR. ROGIC'S PROPERTY PROPOSED SUBDIVISION. HE HAS FULFILLED
18 ALL THE REQUESTS AND REQUIREMENTS BY THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT.
19 AND HAVING MET ALL OF THOSE, I SEE NO REASON WHY JUST BECAUSE
20 THE NEIGHBORS WANT OPEN SPACE, THERE SEEMS TO BE NO REASON WHY
21 MR. ROGIC SHOULD BE REQUIRED TO PROVIDE THAT FOR THEM. HE HAS
22 AN EXTREMELY LARGE LOT. HE SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO BUILD THAT
23 HOME. ALL THE HOMES ACROSS THE STREET FROM THE SUBJECT
24 PROPERTY FILL EVERY SQUARE INCH OF THEIR SMALL LOTS. THERE IS
25 VERY -- THEY HAVE PUSHED THEIR SETBACKS AS CLOSE TO THE



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1 SIDEWALK AS POSSIBLE, THE HOUSES ARE CHEEK BY JOWL. I DON'T
2 KNOW WHY A 15,000 SQUARE FOOT OPEN PIECE OF PROPERTY WITH 61
3 PERCENT OPEN SPACE SHOULD NOT BE ALLOWED TO BE BUILT. I FIND
4 IT VERY HARD TO UNDERSTAND WHY IT'S BEEN TURNED DOWN IN THE
5 PAST WHEN IT'S BEEN APPROVED BY STAFF. THERE IS ANOTHER POINT
6 THAT I'D LIKE TO BRING UP, THAT AT LEAST ONE SIGNATURE ON THE
7 PETITION PROVIDED BY THE OPPOSITION IS FRAUDULENT. SOMEONE
8 FORGED THE NAME OF A MAN BY THE NAME OF WILLIAM HEDDICK. HE
9 HAD BEEN DEAD FOR TWO YEARS BEFORE HIS SIGNATURE APPEARED ON
10 THIS PETITION.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MAYBE SHIRLEY MCCLAIN GOT IT FOR HIM.

13

14 **NINA BEYT:** MR. HEDDICK, HAD ALSO PREVIOUSLY, WHEN HE WAS
15 ALIVE, SIGNED THE PETITION TO SUPPORT THE PROJECT. SO WITH THE
16 KNOWLEDGE THAT THIS PROPERTY HAS MET ALL THE REQUIREMENTS OF
17 STAFF, I DO ASK YOU TODAY TO APPROVE THE REQUEST TO SUBDIVIDE
18 AND ERECT THE SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCE AS PROPOSED. THANK YOU.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU. ANNA SU AND JANE ROYER. JUST GIVE
21 YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD BEFORE YOU SPEAK.

22

23 **GORDON WOOD:** MY NAME IS GORDON WOOD. I LIVE AT 2713 ROCK PINE
24 LANE, WHICH IS IMMEDIATELY NEXT TO MR. ROGIC'S PROPERTY. I
25 REALLY ACCEPT THAT MR. ROGIC HAS MET THE REQUIREMENTS THAT THE



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1 BOARD SET FORTH. I'M SORRY, I LOSS MY SPOT. I MUST ASSUME THAT
2 THESE RESTRICTIONS WERE AN EFFORT TO ASSURE THAT THE NEW PLAN
3 WOULD BE MORE COMPATIBLE WITH THE CHARACTER AND APPEARANCE OF
4 THE OTHER HOMES IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD. THE APPLICANT'S NEW PLAN
5 APPEARS TO MEET THE LETTER OF THESE RESTRICTIONS, BUT THERE
6 ARE SOME UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES. THE 15-FOOT SETBACK REQUIRES
7 THE DESIGNER TO MOVE THE HOUSE ABOUT 10 TO 12 FEET UP THE
8 SLOPE, WHICH PRESENTS A PROBLEM FOR THE DRIVEWAY, SO HE HAS TO
9 HAVE A LONG DRIVEWAY IN ORDER TO MAKE UP THE 9 FEET OR SO. AND
10 HE DOES. HE HAS A 60 -- WELL IT'S LABELED A 62 BUT I THINK
11 IT'S MORE LIKE 70-FOOT DRIVEWAY THAT RUNS ALL THE WAY ACROSS
12 THE PROPERTY AND EXITS ON THE EASTERN EDGE, FIVE FEET FROM THE
13 PROPERTY LINE. THE SEVERAL RETAINING WALLS REQUIRED TO
14 STABILIZE THE STEEP SLOPE AFTER EXCAVATION AND GRADING WILL
15 STRETCH ACROSS THE ENTIRE WIDTH OF THE PROPERTY, AND THE
16 HIGHEST 6-FOOT WALL IS 54 FEET ABOVE THE STREET. THE FACT THAT
17 THE DRIVEWAY NEEDS TO BE MOVED ALL THE WAY EAST PUTS IT VERY
18 NEAR THE ONLY CURVE IN THAT STREET, AND THE LIMITED
19 VISIBILITY, 150 FEET, IS THE DISTANCE THAT A CAR WOULD TRAVEL
20 AT 25 MILES AN HOUR IN FOUR SECONDS. NOW, HE MAY MEET THE
21 LETTER OF THE LAW, BUT I THINK IT REALLY CREATES A DANGEROUS
22 SITUATION. I APPRECIATE THE BOARD'S INTENTION OF ASSISTING THE
23 APPLICANT AND PROPOSING A STRUCTURE THAT IS COMPATIBLE WITH
24 THE NEIGHBORHOOD. I SINCERELY FEEL THAT THE PROPOSED HOUSE



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1 MISSES THE MARK BY A MILE AND THE DRIVEWAY LOCATION
2 CONSTITUTES A SIGNIFICANT SAFETY HAZARD. THANK YOU.

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4 **SONJA MILLIKIN:** MY NAME IS SONJA MILLIKIN, I AM A HOMEOWNER AT
5 2821 WILLOWHAVEN DRIVE, LA CRESCENTA.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** GET CLOSER TO THE MICROPHONE.

8

9 **SONJA MILLIKIN:** FOR THE RECORD I OPPOSE MR. ROGIC'S PROPOSED
10 PROJECT. THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU. HELGA FELLNER AND FRED GARIB.

13

14 **ANNA SU:** HI. MY NAME IS ANNA SU. MY HUSBAND AND I MOVED INTO
15 OUR HOME ON ROCK PINE LANE IN 1990. WE READ AND UNDERSTOOD
16 THAT WE ARE BOUND BY THE TERMS OF THE C.C.N.R., WHICH DEFINES
17 THE GUIDELINES AND LIMITATIONS ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE 83
18 HOMES IN THIS PARCEL OF LAND. IN THE PAST 18 YEARS SINCE WE
19 MOVED IN, THIS HAS BEEN HELD TRUE. NONE OF THE RESIDENTS HAS
20 VIOLATED THIS AGREEMENT. THE PINE CREST NEIGHBORHOOD, AND
21 ESPECIALLY ROCK PINE LANE, HAS REMAINED UNCHANGED. WE THE
22 RESIDENTS OF ROCK PINE LANE VALUE THE HOMOGENEOUS
23 CHARACTERISTICS OF OUR STREET AND THE PEACE AND TRANQUILITY OF
24 OUR NEIGHBORHOOD. MR. ROGIC, AS ONE OF THE HOMEOWNERS OF THIS
25 PARCEL, MUST ALSO BE BOUND BY THE SAME C.C.N.R. IN 1987, HIS



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1 PROPOSAL TO SUBDIVIDE AND BUILD ONE ADDITIONAL HOME WAS DENIED
2 AND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS UPHELD THE DENY. I BELIEVE MANY
3 OF THOSE SUPERVISORS ARE STILL SERVING TODAY. 20 SOME YEARS
4 LATER, MR. ROGIC HAS CHOSEN FOR A SECOND TIME TO CHALLENGE THE
5 C.C.N.R., THE L.A. COUNTY GENERAL PLAN, AND THE DECISION OF
6 THIS VERY SAME BOARD, AND HE IS TRYING AGAIN TO SUBDIVIDE AND
7 BUILD. I CAN UNDERSTAND THE REASON WHY MR. ROGIC WANTS TO
8 BUILD AN ADDITIONAL HOME ON HIS PROPERTY. HE STANDS TO GAIN A
9 PROFIT OF SEVERAL HUNDRED THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS. BUT THIS
10 SELFISH DECISION FOR PERSONAL FINANCIAL GAIN COMES AT THE
11 EXPENSE OF HIS NEIGHBORS, ESPECIALLY THE 14 HOMEOWNERS ON ROCK
12 PINE LANE. AND I HAVE A CHART HERE SHOWING THAT EVERY
13 HOMEOWNER ON ROCK PINE LANE HAS SIGNED A PETITION TO OBJECT
14 THIS PROJECT. NOW, I UNDERSTAND THAT THERE ARE ADDITIONAL
15 SIGNATURES THAT ARE COLLECTED, BOTH IN OPPOSITION AND IN
16 SUPPORT OF THIS PROJECT. AND I UNDERSTAND THAT MR. ROGIC EVEN
17 HAS SIGNATURES, SUPPORT LETTERS, FROM PEOPLE OUTSIDE OF OUR
18 TOWNSHIP OF OF LA CRESCENTA, AND AS FAR AS GLENDALE AND
19 MONTROSE. I BELIEVE THAT THAT IS IRRELEVANT TO THIS
20 DISCUSSION. I BELIEVE THAT THE FOCUS MUST BE ON THE IMMEDIATE
21 RESIDENTS THAT ARE IMPACTED. I ASK THAT THE BOARD CONSIDER THE
22 INTERESTS OF THE MANY RESIDENTS AGAINST THE SELFISH DESIRE OF
23 ONE AND UPHOLD THE DENY AND DENY THIS PROJECT AS YOU HAVE DONE
24 IN 1987. PLEASE PUT A STOP TO THIS NONSENSE. THANK YOU.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME CALL UP ERWIN FELLNER.

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3 **HELGA FELLNER:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS HELGA FELLNER. AND I
4 RESIDE AT 2734 ROCK PINE LANE IN LA CRESCENTA SINCE 35 YEARS.
5 I'M ONE OF THE 99 HOMEOWNERS, EXCLUDING THE DEAD PERSON WHO
6 SIGNED, OPPOSING MR. ROGIC'S PROJECT. THIS PROJECT WAS DENIED
7 BY THIS BOARD IN 1986. NOTHING ON THIS HILLSIDE HAS CHANGED.
8 IT STILL HAS THE SAME 42, SOMETIMES UP TO 60 PERCENT INCLINE
9 IT HAD 23 YEARS AGO. HEAVY RAINS OF 3 TO 5 INCHES A DAY ARE
10 NOT UNCOMMON IN OUR AREA. SINCE THERE IS NOT A SPECK OF FLAT
11 LAND, EVERY SQUARE INCH OF THIS HILL WOULD HAVE TO BE
12 EXCAVATED. THIS COULD DESTABILIZE THE ENTIRE HILL. AN EXISTING
13 POOL ON TOP, HOLDING APPROXIMATELY 26,000 GALLONS OF WATER IS
14 A VERY GREAT PERSONAL CONCERN. I DON'T WANT MR. ROGIC'S POOL
15 OR HIS NEW PROPOSED PROJECT, WITH ALL THE DIRT COMING DOWN
16 ONTO OUR PROPERTY. I RESPECTFULLY OBJECT TO ANY SUCH
17 SUBDIVISION AND/OR BUILDING IN OUR COMMUNITY. AND I HOPE THIS
18 BOARD WILL AGAIN DENY THIS PROJECT. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME
19 AND YOUR CONSIDERATION.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DON MILLIKIN.

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23 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. I'M A HOMEOWNER IN THE PINE CREST AREA
24 OF LA CRESCENTA. I HAVE BEEN THERE FOR 25 YEARS. I'M OPPOSED
25 TO MR. ROGIC'S PLAN FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS. ONE, THE PLAN



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1 IS NOT COMPATIBLE WITH THE REST OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD. TWO,
2 CUTTING IN VERY STEEP AND HIGH SLOPES WITH A SERIES OF
3 RETAINING WALLS TO CREATE A PAD IS NOT SAFE. AND ALSO, THE
4 PLAN IS IN VIOLATION OF THE C.C.N.R. THAT IS RECORDED ON ALL
5 THE PROPERTIES IN THIS AREA. THANK YOU.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** CURTIS CLEVEN? NOT YOU, THE MICROPHONE.

8

9 **ERWIN FELLNER:** MY NAME IS ERWIN FELLNER. I LIVE ON 2734 ROCK
10 PINE LANE IN LA CRESCENTA. GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN,
11 SUPERVISORS, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN. MR. ROGIC'S PROJECT WAS
12 FIRST PROPOSED IN 1986 TO SUBDIVIDE AND CONSTRUCT ONE
13 ADDITIONAL HOME. IT WAS REJECTED BY THE REGIONAL PLANNING
14 COMMISSION AND BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE REASONS
15 THAT THE PROPOSAL WAS INCONSISTENT WITH THE HILLSIDE
16 MANAGEMENT PROVISIONS FOR THE CHANNEL PLAN, AND THE SITE WAS
17 NOT PHYSICALLY SUITABLE FOR DEVELOPMENT. IN FACT, AT ITS
18 MEETING HELD JANUARY THE 22ND OF 1987, THE BOARD OF
19 SUPERVISORS TOOK THE FOLLOWING ACTION: THIS WAS A CONTINUED
20 HEARING ON TENTATIVE PARCEL MAP NO. 17188-5, LA CRESCENTA ZONE
21 DISTRICT. IT WAS APPLIED FOR BY MR. ALEX ROGIC. SUPERVISOR
22 ANTONOVICH MADE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT, "THE PROPOSED NEW
23 HOME IS TO BE LOCATED ON A STEEP MANUFACTURED SLOPE WHICH IS
24 PART OF AN EXISTING LOT IN THE HILLSIDE DEVELOPMENT IN LA
25 CRESCENTA. SINCE THE BOARD'S LAST MEETING, I VISITED THE



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1 PROPERTY AND I BELIEVE THAT TO PERMIT THE REQUESTED LAND
2 DIVISION AND NEW HOME WOULD BE CONTRARY TO GOOD SUBDIVISION
3 DESIGN. THIS NEIGHBORHOOD PATTERN OF DEVELOPMENT AND THE
4 INTENT OF THE GENERAL PLAN WHICH DISCOURAGES BUILDING ON SUCH
5 STEEP HILLSIDES." END OF QUOTE. 22 YEARS LATER, JUNE THE 18TH,
6 2008, THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION, IN A VOTE 5-0, DENIED
7 MR. ROGIC'S APPLICATION FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN ADDITIONAL
8 TWO HOMES ON THE SITE. NOW 10 MONTHS LATER, WE ARE BACK TO ONE
9 HOUSE. MORE OR LESS, THE PROJECT OF 1986. TWO LOTS, ONE
10 EXISTING HOME AND ONE LOT FACING ROCK PINE LANE. WHAT HAS
11 CHANGED? THE SLOPE OF THE HILLSIDE IS STILL 40 TO 50 IN MOST
12 AND 50 TO 60 IN SOME AREAS OF THE PROPERTY IN QUESTION. I WANT
13 TO POINT OUT EVERY USABLE SQUARE INCH TO ESTABLISH A BUILDING
14 SITE MUST BE EXCAVATED FROM THIS HILL. THIS RADICAL
15 EXCAVATION, I HAVE NO DOUBT, WILL DESTABILIZE THE HILL. THE
16 CONSEQUENCES OF IGNORING THESE ISSUES IS OF PROFOUND CONCERN
17 TO ALL, DEFINITELY TO ALL OF THE PEOPLE ON ROCK PINE LANE.
18 PLEASE LISTEN TO THE MAJORITY. 95 PINE CREST PROPERTY OWNERS
19 HAVE SIGNED A PETITION OPPOSING MR. ROGIC'S PROJECT. THIS
20 PROJECT IS INCOMPATIBLE WITH THE CHARACTER OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD
21 AND SHOULD BE DENIED. THANK YOU. AT THIS TIME, IF I MAY, MR.
22 CHAIRMAN, I HAVE A -- BEG YOUR PARDON?

23
24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED.



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1 **ERWIN FELLNER:** YES, I KNOW, BUT I HAVE A SIGNED PETITION FROM
2 95 HOMEOWNERS, WHICH I'D LIKE TO SUBMIT AT THIS TIME IF I
3 MIGHT.

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ROBERT RUBY? YES, MA'AM.

8
9 **JANE ROYER:** HI, I'M JANE ROYER, 2718 ROCK PINE, ACROSS FROM
10 THE PROPOSED SUBDIVISION. I'VE BEEN OPPOSED TO AND SPEAKING
11 AGAINST ROGIC'S SUBDIVISION PLANS FOR MORE THAN 20 YEARS.
12 THERE'S A REASON HIS PLANS MUST CONTINUE TO BE REVIEWED BY
13 VARIOUS BOARDS ALL THESE YEARS AND A REASON WE CONTINUE TO
14 SPEAK AGAINST THESE PROPOSALS ALL THESE YEARS: BECAUSE
15 PROBLEMS WITH HIS PLANS HAVE NOT BEEN AND ARE NOT BEING
16 RESOLVED. PROBLEMS OF DESIGN INCONSISTENCY WITH OUR LONG-
17 STANDING, BUILT-ON PADS ROCK PINE LANE NEIGHBORHOOD, DANGEROUS
18 STEEP HILLSIDE DESIGNS, HUGE UNSIGHTLY RETAINING WALLS, AND
19 UNSAFE LINE OF VISIBILITY ISSUES REGARDING DRIVEWAY AND
20 TRAFFIC ARE TO NAME A FEW SIGNIFICANT SPECIFIED PROBLEMS THEN
21 AND NOW. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, I BELIEVE YOU AND OTHERS HAVE
22 VISITED THIS SITE ON MY STREET, ROCK PINE LANE. FOR 20 YEARS,
23 ROGIC'S PROPOSALS HAVE BEEN DENIED, DENIED AND DENIED. ALL THE
24 ROCK PINE LANE HOMEOWNERS AND MANY OTHERS ARE STILL OPPOSED TO



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1 THIS PROPOSED SUBDIVISION. TODAY I HOPE THIS BOARD GIVES A
2 FINAL DENIAL TO END ROGIC'S SUBDIVISION. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU. LORRAINE RUBY? LORRAINE RUBY? YES,
5 SIR.

6

7 **DON MILLIKIN:** HELLO, MY NAME IS DON MILLIKIN. I LIVE ON 2821
8 WILLOWHAVEN DRIVE WITH MY WIFE, AND WE'VE LIVED IN THE SAME
9 HOUSE IN PINE CREST DEVELOPMENT FOR OVER 35 YEARS. MY WIFE AND
10 I BOUGHT PROPERTY IN THE PINE CREST DEVELOPMENT IN 1972
11 BECAUSE, AMONG OTHER THINGS, I LIKED THE ORIGINAL DEVELOPMENT
12 AND THE WAY THAT THE HOMES WERE BUILT ON FLAT AREAS ALONG WITH
13 BASICALLY FLAT YARDS IN A HILLSIDE DEVELOPMENT. I EXPECTED
14 THAT THE NEIGHBORHOOD WOULD REMAIN AS IT WAS CONSTRUCTED
15 WITHOUT ANY FURTHER SUBDIVISIONS. MY WIFE AND I ARE OPPOSED TO
16 THE SUBDIVISION THAT MR. ROGIC PROPOSES. MR. ROGIC SUBMITTED A
17 PROPOSAL TO SUBDIVIDE HIS PROPERTY TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
18 DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING IN 1986. THIS PROPERTY WAS
19 DENIED, STATING THAT AMONG OTHER THINGS, THAT THEY WERE NOT
20 CONSISTENT WITH THE COUNTY GENERAL PLAN AND WAS NOT COMPATIBLE
21 WITH THE ESTABLISHED NEIGHBORHOOD. WE FELT THAT THESE WERE
22 PROPER DECISIONS THAT WERE MADE BY THE L.A. COUNTY DEPARTMENT
23 OF REGIONAL PLANNING. MR. ROGIC'S LATEST PROPOSAL, PROPOSED
24 SUBDIVISION INVOLVES ALMOST ALL EXCAVATION IN THE STEEP
25 HILLSIDE, WHICH ALSO INCLUDES SEVERAL HIGH RETAINING WALLS.



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1 THE CURRENT PLAN IS TOTALLY INCOMPATIBLE WITH THE CHARACTER OF
2 THE PINE CREST NEIGHBORHOOD. IF MR. ROGIC'S PROPOSED
3 SUBDIVISION IS APPROVED BY THE L.A. COUNTY BOARD OF
4 SUPERVISORS, IT WOULD SET A PRECEDENT FOR OTHER HOMEOWNERS TO
5 SUBDIVIDE THEIR PROPERTY IN A SIMILAR MANNER IN THIS HILLSIDE
6 DEVELOPMENT. IF THIS WERE TO HAPPEN, IT WOULD TOTALLY CHANGE
7 THE LANDSCAPE OF THE PINE CREST AREA AND CHANGE THE AREA THAT
8 MY WIFE AND I AND MANY OTHER HOMEOWNERS HAVE BOUGHT INTO. I
9 FELT THAT THE ORIGINAL PINE CREST DEVELOPMENT WAS DESIGNED
10 VERY WELL, PROVIDING BASICALLY LEVEL BUILDING PATHS WITH LEVEL
11 SURROUNDING YARDS ADJACENT TO THE HOMES. I URGE THE COUNTY
12 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO CAREFULLY WEIGH THE DECISION OF
13 APPROVING MR. ROGIC'S PROPOSED SUBDIVISION AND CONSIDER THE
14 IMPACT THAT THIS COULD HAVE ON FUTURE POTENTIAL ADDITIONAL
15 SUBDIVISIONS, PLAN FOR EXCAVATIONS INTO STEEP HILLSIDES IN THE
16 PINE CREST AREA AND TO ALSO CONSIDER HOW POTENTIAL ADDITIONAL
17 SUBDIVISIONS WILL IMPACT EXISTING RESIDENTS IN THE PINE CREST
18 AREA. THANK YOU.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU. LET ME CALL UP DAVID ZULI? DAVID
21 ZULI. YES, SIR.

22

23 **CURTIS CLEVEN:** MY NAME IS CURTIS CLEVEN, I'M A RESIDENT OF
24 PINE CREST TRACT FOR 39 YEARS. AND I OBJECT TO THIS WORK BEING
25 DONE, FOR DIFFERENT REASONS THAN STATED. I HAVE THREE PRIMARY



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1 REASONS. ONE, I DO NOT WISH A PRECEDENT TO BE SET FOR
2 SUBDIVIDING LARGE LOTS ON -- THERE ARE ABOUT THREE OTHER OR
3 FOUR OTHER LOTS ON ROCK PINE LANE THAT COULD BE SUBDIVIDED.
4 AND IF THIS IS APPROVED, THOSE HOMEOWNERS WILL BE APPROACHED
5 BY DEVELOPERS TO BUILD HOMES ON THESE LOTS. THERE ARE
6 CURRENTLY NO HOMES ON THAT NORTH SIDE OF ROCK PINE LANE. AND
7 EVEN THOUGH I DON'T LIVE ON THAT LANE, I WANT IT TO STAY THAT
8 WAY. THE ORIGINAL DEVELOPERS WOULD HAVE BUILT HOMES THERE IF
9 IT WERE FEASIBLE THING TO DO, BUT THAT'S A ROCKY STEEP
10 HILLSIDE. BUT NUMBER TWO, A TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF ROCK AND
11 DECOMPOSED GRANITE WILL HAVE TO BE REMOVED TO BUILD THIS HOME.
12 THIS AREA IS AN ALLUVIAL FAN, THERE IS NO DIRT, IT'S A GRAVEL
13 PIT. IF YOU LIVED UP THERE, YOU'D KNOW THAT. THERE'S A CLEAR
14 DANGER OF LOOSE BOULDERS, BECAUSE THE SLOPE OF THAT HILLSIDE
15 IS STEEPER THAN THE ANGLE OF REPOSE. SO ANY LOOSENED ROCKS
16 WOULD ROLL DOWN THE HILL ACROSS THE STREET AND POSSIBLY
17 ENDANGER HOMES ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF THE STREET. LAST YEAR, MR.
18 ROGIC ESTIMATED ABOUT 40 TRUCKLOADS OF 50 CUBIC YARDS EACH FOR
19 THAT PARTICULAR PLAN. 50 CUBIC YARDS OF DECOMPOSED GRANITE AND
20 ROCK IS ABOUT 100 TONS, PLUS THE WEIGHT OF THE TRUCK. THE ONLY
21 WAY THEY CAN GET THAT DIRT OUT OF THERE IS BY TRUCK ON
22 WILLOWHAVEN GOING EAST OR WEST. IF THEY GO TO THE WEST, THEY
23 COME DOWN A VERY NARROW, TWISTY, WINDY ROAD CALLED PINE CONE
24 LANE TO GET TO LA CRESCENT, WHICH IS ALSO A VERY STEEP ROAD.
25 IF THEY GO TO THE EAST SIDE, THEY WOULD GO OVER TO PINE GLEN,



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1 WHICH IS ALSO A VERY STEEP, WINDY ROAD TO GET DOWN TO
2 ROSEMONT. NOW, BOTH ROSEMONT AND LA CRESCENTA HAVE SCHOOLS.
3 AND I'LL GET TO THAT IN A MINUTE, THAT'S A SAFETY ISSUE. I
4 THINK THIS WOULD GO ON FOR -- I'M OUT OF TIME ALMOST. LET ME
5 TALK TO SAFETY. THE SCHOOLS ON THOSE STREETS HAVE A LOT OF
6 CHILDREN WALKING, A LOT OF SCHOOL TRAFFIC. CARS. AND IT'S A
7 SAFETY ISSUE WITH LARGE TRUCKS COMING DOWN THOSE STREETS. IF
8 ONE SHOULD LOSE ITS BRAKES, THINK WHAT HAPPENED AT LA QUINATA
9 A FEW WEEKS AGO.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, YOU WANT TO WRAP IT UP? YOUR TIME
12 IS UP.

13

14 **CURTIS CLEVEN:** MY TIME IS EXPIRED BUT I OBJECT TO THIS FOR
15 SAFETY REASONS.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** PETER JUNG KIM. YES?

20

21 **ROBERT RUBY:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS BOB RUBY. I HAVE LIVED
22 IN THIS PINE CONE, PINE CREST AREA SINCE 1974. I OBJECT TO THE
23 DIVISION OF THE PROPERTY BASED ON THE ORIGINAL C.C.N.R., WHICH
24 SPECIFICALLY STATED THAT THE LOTS WOULD NOT BE DIVIDED IN THE
25 FUTURE. SECONDLY, I OBJECT TO IT BECAUSE THE EXCAVATION OF A



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1 VERY STEEP -- CURRENT VERY STEEP HILLSIDE, WHICH IN MY OPINION
2 WOULD THREATEN THOSE HOMES, BOTH ABOVE AND BELOW THE
3 EXCAVATION. THANK YOU.

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5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

6

7 **LORRAINE RUBY:** MY NAME IS LORRAINE RUBY. GOOD MORNING. I ALSO
8 LIVE ON PINE LAWN DRIVE, 2628 PINE LAWN IN PINE CREST. AND I
9 WROTE A LETTER RECENTLY TO SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. AND THIS IS
10 MY LETTER. "I AM WRITING REGARDING THE LAND USE HEARING ON
11 APRIL 28, 2009. PLEASE VOTE NO ON THE PROPOSED LAND DIVISION
12 AND NEW HOME ON ROCK PINE IN PINE CREST SUBDIVISION IN LA
13 CRESCENTA APPLIED FOR BY ALEX ROGIC. I FIRMLY BELIEVE THAT THE
14 PROPOSED BUILDING OF A SINGLE-FAMILY HOME ON THAT PROPOSED
15 SITE WOULD UNDERMINE THE HILLSIDE AND RENDER IT UNSTABLE. ALSO
16 THE ORIGINAL DRAIN PATTERNS AND STRUCTURES THAT WERE
17 CONSTRUCTED FOR RUNOFF WOULD BE DESTROYED. I BELIEVE THAT TO
18 ALLOW THE BUILDING REQUEST WOULD ALSO SET A DANGEROUS
19 PRECEDENT THAT WOULD ALLOW OWNERS IN PINE CREST TO SUBDIVIDE
20 THEIR CURRENT PROPERTIES AND SQUEEZE IN MORE HOMES THAN
21 ORIGINALLY PLANNED. PLEASE HOLD TO YOUR STATEMENT AT THE BOARD
22 OF SUPERVISORS MEETING IN JANUARY 1987, WHEN YOU STATED,
23 QUOTE, AND THIS IS MIKE ANTONOVICH THAT I AM QUOTING, "THE
24 PROPOSED NEW HOME IS TO BE LOCATED ON A STEEP MANUFACTURED
25 SLOPE WHICH IS PART OF AN EXISTING LOT IN A HILLSIDE



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1 DEVELOPMENT IN LA CRESCENTA. SINCE THE BOARD'S LAST MEETING, I
2 VISITED THE PROPERTY AND I BELIEVE THAT TO PERMIT THE
3 REQUESTED LAND DIVISION AND NEW HOME WOULD BE CONTRARY TO GOOD
4 SUBDIVISION DESIGN, THE NEIGHBORHOOD PATTERN OF DEVELOPMENT
5 AND THE INTENT OF THE GENERAL PLAN, WHICH DISCOURAGES BUILDING
6 ON SUCH STEEP HILLSIDES." AND I DON'T UNDERSTAND HOW ANY OF
7 THAT HAS CHANGED. BUT I END THE QUOTE. AS YOU CAN SEE BY THE
8 PHOTOS THAT I AM ENCLOSING, IT TAKES A LOT OF WORK AND THE
9 BUILDING OF RETAINING WALLS TO DEAL WITH EROSION AND THE
10 REINFORCING OF STEEP SLOPES IN PINE CREST. THE PROPERTY SHOWN
11 IN THE PHOTOS IS LOCATED ON PINE CONE ROAD. AGAIN, I
12 RESPECTFULLY ASK FOR A NO VOTE ON THE LAND USE PERMIT BY ALEX
13 ROGIC ON APRIL 28TH, 2009. AND I BROUGHT THE PICTURES THAT I
14 SENT TO THE SUPERVISOR WHICH SHOWS SOME OTHER PROBLEMS THAT
15 DEVELOPED IN PINE CREST WITH EROSION AND THE STEEP HILLSIDE.
16 SO IF YOU'D LIKE, I WILL SUBMIT THESE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR
17 YOUR TIME.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU. LET ME CALL UP HELENA YOUNG JA
20 KIM. AND KAREN SARTI. YES, SIR.

21

22 **PETER JUNG KIM:** I AM HOMEOWNER ON 2728 ROCK PINE LANE. I,
23 PETER JUNG KIM, AGAINST ROGIC'S SUBDIVISION PLANS. THANK YOU
24 VERY MUCH.

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1 **DAVID ZULI:** MY NAME IS DAVID ZULI, I'M A HOMEOWNER AT 2744
2 ROCK PINE LANE. MY WIFE AND I BOUGHT THE HOME THERE ON ROCK
3 PINE SEVEN YEARS AGO WITH THE ASSURANCE THAT THERE WOULD NEVER
4 BE CONSTRUCTION ON THE NORTHERN SLOPE OPPOSITE OUR HOME. AND
5 I'M OPPOSED TO THIS PROJECT BECAUSE IT WOULD OPEN A PRECEDENT
6 WHERE MORE ROGUE CONSTRUCTION WOULD BE OPEN TO OTHER PROPERTY
7 OWNERS. SO I'M OPPOSED TO THIS. IT'S NOT IN KEEPING WITH THE
8 NATURE OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD OF THE DESIGN OF THE PROJECT THAT
9 MR. ROGIC HAS. THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME CALL UP ARLENE BOYCHUCK AND GHIMUN
12 NOH. YES, MA'AM. YES.

13

14 **HELENA YOUNG JA KIM:** GOOD MORNING, SIR. I, HELENA YOUNG JA
15 KIM, AM A HOMEOWNER ON 2728 ROCK PINE LANE. I AGAINST THE
16 ROGIC SUBDIVISION PLANS. I THINK IT IS NOT SAFE TO ME AND
17 NEIGHBORHOOD TO BUILD A HOUSE ON THE STEEP HILLSIDE. I'M
18 SORRY. ON THE STEEP HILLSIDE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ONE SECOND. NOH YESSCON.

21

22 **KAREN SARTI:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS KAREN SARTI, AND I HAVE
23 LIVED AT 2722 ROCK PINE LANE FOR THE LAST 34 YEARS. I LIVE
24 DIRECTLY IN FRONT OF MR. ROGIC'S PROPOSED SUBDIVISION. WHEN WE
25 PURCHASED OUR HOME, WE CONSIDERED SEVERAL HOMES IN THE PINE



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1 CREST AREA. WHILE OUR HOME ON ROCK PINE COMPED OUT SLIGHTLY
2 HIGHER AS BEING ONE OF THE FEW STREETS WITH HOMES ON ONE SIDE
3 OF THE HILL, AND THE BENEFIT OF HAVING A CUL-DE-SAC WITH HOMES
4 ALSO ON ONE SIDE WERE WE FELT WOULD BE SAFER FOR OUR CHILDREN
5 AND NOW FOR MANY OF OUR GRANDCHILDREN. THERE HAPPENS TO BE
6 SOMEWHAT OF A BLIND CURVE WHERE MR. ROGIC PLANS TO BUILD HIS
7 DRIVEWAY. I LIVE DIRECTLY IN FRONT OF THAT. I KNOW OTHERS HERE
8 ARE HERE TO SPEAK ABOUT THE MAIN CONCERNS OF ENGINEERING AND
9 COMPROMISE AND THE MAIN INTEGRITY OF THE HILLSIDE. MY VIEW
10 REMAINS THE SAME AS IT DID IN 1987. I OPPOSED MR. ROGIC'S PLAN
11 AND I THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND CONSIDERATION.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YES, MA'AM.

14

15 **ARLENE BOYCHUCK:** MY NAME IS ARLENE BOYCHUCK. I LIVE AT 2762
16 ROCK PINE LANE. I AM AT THE BOTTOM OF THE CUL-DE-SAC. NOVEMBER
17 25TH, 2008, THERE WAS A FLOOD ON OUR STREET. THEY CLEANED THE
18 HILL OFF FOR FIRE PREVENTION. WHEN THE RAIN CAME DOWN, SO DID
19 ALL THE DEBRIS THAT WAS LEFT ON THE HILLSIDE. IT WENT INTO A
20 NEIGHBOR'S HOUSE. IT CAME HALFWAY UP OUR DRIVEWAY AND ANOTHER
21 NEIGHBOR'S DRIVEWAY. THAT HILLSIDE HAS BEEN THERE, WELL WE'VE
22 BEEN THERE FOR 43 YEARS. THAT HILLSIDE HAS CHANGED. THERE IS
23 EROSION ON THE HILLSIDE. ANY ATTEMPT TO BUILD A RETAINING WALL
24 TO KEEP THAT FROM COMING DOWN IS RIDICULOUS. THERE IS A STORM
25 DRAIN ON THE TOP, AND IT IS ERODING. I OPPOSE THIS PROJECT. I



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1 OPPOSED IT 23 YEARS AGO OR 20 YEARS AGO AND I OPPOSE IT NOW.

2 THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

3

4 **GHIMUN NOH:** HELLO. MY NAME IS GHIMUN NOH. I LIVE IN ROCK PINE
5 LANE, 2740, SINCE 1986. ACROSS STREET, MR. ROGIC WANTS THE
6 SUBDIVISION. REALLY PROBLEM BECAUSE IF SOME FIRE OR SOME
7 FLOOD, HERE ACROSS STREET, MY HOUSE IS CREATE REALLY DIFFICULT
8 SITUATION. ANOTHER THING IS MY PRIVACY PROBLEM. SO I OPPOSE
9 MR. ROGIC'S SUBDIVISION PROJECT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU. YES, MA'AM.

12

13 **YESSCON NOH:** MY NAME IS --

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MOVE THE MICROPHONE.

16

17 **YESSCON NOH:** MY NAME IS YESSCON NOH, 2740 ROCK PINE LANE, LA
18 CRESCENTA, CALIFORNIA. MY HOUSE IS RIGHT IN FRONT OF THAT
19 PLAN. THAT VERY STEEP AND HIGH LAND. IF THEY BUILT OVER THERE
20 THE HOUSE, MY HOUSE IS VERY LOW. THEY CAN SEE IN MY HOUSE, OR
21 IN MY FAMILY ROOM AND THE GARDEN AND EVERYWHERE THEY CAN WATCH
22 IT. WE HAVE NO PRIVACY AT ALL. SO I OPPOSE THAT PROJECT. THANK
23 YOU.

24



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU. LET ME ASK THE REGIONAL PLANNING.
2 THIS WAS -- AND I HAD TURNED IT DOWN, I BELIEVE, BACK IN 1986
3 OR '87 AND HAD TURNED IT DOWN BECAUSE OF THE DENSITY AND
4 ATTEMPT TO -- THEY WERE GOING TO ADD TWO ADDITIONAL HOMES ON
5 THIS LOT. (AUDIENCE MEMBERS SAYING NO).

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND I WOULD LIKE TO ASK THE REGIONAL
8 PLANNING: WHAT IS THE LOT SIZE ALONG WILLOWHAVEN, ROCK PINE
9 WITHIN THE 1,000-FOOT RADIUS AND WHAT IS THE LOT SIZE THAT'S
10 BEING RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT TODAY?

11

12 **JODIE SACKETT:** SUPERVISOR, THE RANGE OF LOT SIZES ALONG
13 WILLOWHAVEN AND ROCK PINE ARE APPROXIMATELY BETWEEN 7,000 AND
14 39,000 SQUARE FEET, WHICH IS BETWEEN .15 AND ALMOST ONE GROSS
15 ACRE IN SIZE. THE PROPOSED LOT SIZES ARE IN EXCESS OF 15,000
16 SQUARE FEET.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THIS IS A 15,000.

19

20 **JODIE SACKETT:** CORRECT.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WHAT IS THE SQUARE FOOTAGE OF EXISTING
23 HOMES IN PINE CREST AND WHAT IS THE SQUARE FOOTAGE ON THIS
24 PROPOSAL TODAY?

25



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1 **JODIE SACKETT:** THE SQUARE FOOTAGE OF THE PROPOSED RESIDENCE IS
2 APPROXIMATELY 2,500 SQUARE FEET.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ABOUT 2,500 SQUARE FEET?

5

6 **JODIE SACKETT:** AND BASED ON INFORMATION PROVIDED TO STAFF BY
7 THE APPLICANT, MR. ROGIC, THAT IS COMPARABLE WITH HOMES IN THE
8 AREA.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** COMPARABLE. AND DID STAFF REVIEW THE
11 SUBDIVISION MAP SHOWING ONLY ONE NEW HOME?

12

13 **JODIE SACKETT:** YES, WE HAVE, SUPERVISOR.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AS REQUESTED BY THE BOARD, HAS THE APPLICANT
16 REDUCED THE HEIGHT TO 28 FEET AND INCREASED THE FRONT SETBACK
17 TO 15 FEET?

18

19 **JODIE SACKETT:** YES, THE APPLICANT HAS AND ACTUALLY REDUCED THE
20 HEIGHT TO 25 FEET. SO EVEN LESS THAN 28 FEET.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WHAT COUNTY DEPARTMENTS HAVE REVIEWED AND
23 APPROVED THESE REVISED PLANS?

24



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1 **JODIE SACKETT:** THE REVISED PROJECT HAS BEEN REVIEWED AND
2 APPROVED BY THE L.A. COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, THE
3 FIRE DEPARTMENT, PARKS AND RECREATION, AND PUBLIC HEALTH.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THEN IN TERMS OF SIZE AND SCALE, HOW IS
6 THE PROPOSAL COMPATIBLE WITH THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITY?

7

8 **JODIE SACKETT:** THE REVISED PROJECT HAS AN INCREASED FRONT YARD
9 SETBACK IN ORDER TO MAKE IT MORE COMPARABLE WITH THE HOMES IN
10 THE COMMUNITY. THE LOT SIZE, AS NOW ONLY ONE HOME BEING
11 PROPOSED, IS ALSO, IN TERMS OF THE SIZE OF THE HOME IN
12 RELATION TO THE SIZE OF THE LOT, IS MORE COMPATIBLE WITH THE
13 COMMUNITY, AS WELL.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND HOW HIGH ABOVE THE STREET IS THE FIRST
16 FLOOR?

17

18 **JODIE SACKETT:** THE FIRST FLOOR IS APPROXIMATELY 14 FEET ABOVE
19 THE STREET GRADE.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WOULD THE IMPACTS OF RELOCATING THE HOME,
22 WHAT WOULD BE THOSE IMPACTS IF THEY WERE RELOCATED TO THE
23 STREET LEVEL?

24



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1 **JODIE SACKETT:** THE POTENTIAL IMPACTS FOR RELOCATING THE HOME
2 AT STREET LEVEL WOULD INCLUDE INCREASED AMOUNTS OF GRADING,
3 REDUCING THE FRONT YARD SETBACKS, INCREASED HEIGHT OF
4 RETAINING WALLS IN THE REAR OF THE LOT. AND THAT'S IT.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WHY IS THE REVISED PLAN A BETTER PLAN
7 THAN THE ORIGINAL DESIGN?

8

9 **JODIE SACKETT:** THE REVISED PROJECT'S AESTHETIC DESIGN, LOT
10 SIZE, YARD SETBACKS, HEIGHT, AND OVERALL SIZE, OVERALL
11 BUILDING SIZE, ARE MORE COMPATIBLE WITH THE COMMUNITY. IN
12 ADDITION, POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS HAVE BEEN REDUCED
13 DUE TO ONLY ONE NEW RESIDENCE NOW PROPOSED INSTEAD OF TWO.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WHAT WAS THE STAFF'S ORIGINAL
16 RECOMMENDATION TO THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION?

17

18 **JODIE SACKETT:** STAFF'S ORIGINAL RECOMMENDATION WAS FOR
19 APPROVAL, SUPERVISOR.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND DID THE STAFF CONDUCT THE INITIAL STUDY
22 PURSUANT TO THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT?

23

24 **JODIE SACKETT:** YES. STAFF DID CONDUCT AN INITIAL STUDY.

25



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT IS THE PROPOSED C.E.Q.A. CLEARANCE FOR
2 THIS PROJECT?

3

4 **JODIE SACKETT:** THE PROPOSED C.E.Q.A. CLEARANCE IS A NEGATIVE
5 DECLARATION.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NEGATIVE. AND WERE THE REVISED PLANS MADE
8 AVAILABLE TO THE NEIGHBORS AHEAD OF TODAY'S MEETING?

9

10 **JODIE SACKETT:** YES, SUPERVISOR. THE REVISED PLANS WERE MADE
11 AVAILABLE AT LEAST TWO WEEKS IN ADVANCE OF TODAY'S HEARING AT
12 REGIONAL PLANNING OFFICES AND ONLINE VIA THE REGIONAL PLANNING
13 WEBSITE.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND ARE THERE ANY HOMES IN ROCK PINE
16 DEVELOPED ON UPSLOPE LOTS?

17

18 **JODIE SACKETT:** MOST, IF NOT ALL THE EXISTING HOMES, WERE
19 PLACED ON MORE FLAT BUILDING PADS AND LOTS CREATED WITH THE
20 ORIGINAL TRACT SUBDIVISION BACK IN 1965.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE REGIONAL PLANNING STAFF'S
23 RECOMMENDATION TODAY IS TO WHAT?

24



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1 **JODIE SACKETT:** SUPERVISOR, TODAY STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION IS
2 THAT YOU ADOPT THE NEGATIVE DECLARATION AND APPROVE THE
3 PROJECT.
4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND FOR PUBLIC WORKS, DID YOU ANALYZE THE
6 PROPOSED DRIVEWAY LOCATION AND ITS ORIENTATION TO ROCK PINE?
7

8 **DENNIS HUNTER:** YES, WE DID, SUPERVISOR.
9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND DID YOU ANALYZE THE LINE OF SIGHT FOR THE
11 DRIVEWAY?
12

13 **DENNIS HUNTER:** YES, WE DID, FOR BOTH VEHICLES AND PEDESTRIANS.
14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND COMPARED TO THE OTHER STREETS IN PINE
16 CREST, IS THE BEND IN ROCK PINE EXCEPTIONAL?
17

18 **DENNIS HUNTER:** NO, IT'S NOT, SUPERVISOR. THE CENTER LINE
19 RADIUS FOR ROCK PINE IS 270 FEET. THE COUNTY'S MINIMUM CENTER
20 LINE RADIUS FOR CUL-DE-SACS IS 100 FEET. AND OTHER STREETS IN
21 THE AREA RANGE FROM 150-FOOT TO 170-FOOT RADIUS. SO IT'S NOT
22 EXCEPTIONAL.
23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND DID THE PROPOSED DRIVEWAY MEET ALL OF THE
25 PUBLIC WORKS STANDARDS?



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2 **DENNIS HUNTER:** YES, IT DID, SUPERVISOR.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO AS DESIGNED, PUBLIC WORKS STANDARDS
5 INDICATE THAT THE DRIVEWAY WOULD BE SAFE?

6

7 **DENNIS HUNTER:** YES. WE BELIEVE IT'S SAFE.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DID YOU REVIEW AND APPROVE THE ORIGINAL
10 DRAINAGE AND HYDROLOGY CONCEPT PLAN FOR THE PROJECT?

11

12 **DENNIS HUNTER:** YES, WE DID, SUPERVISOR.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND ARE THOSE PLANS STILL APPLICABLE IN
15 CONCEPT SINCE THE PROJECT WAS REDUCED NOW TO ONE HOME INSTEAD
16 OF TWO?

17

18 **DENNIS HUNTER:** YES, IT'S STILL CONSISTENT.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND DID YOU APPROVE AND REVIEW A SOILS AND
21 GEOLOGY STUDY FOR THE PROJECT?

22

23 **DENNIS HUNTER:** YES. WE REVIEWED SOILS AND GEOLOGY REPORTS FOR
24 THE TENTATIVE MAP. AND ADDITIONAL REPORTS WILL BE REVIEWED AT
25 THE GRADING AND BUILDING PERMIT STAGES, AS WELL.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND IS THERE ANYTHING UNUSUAL ABOUT BUILDING
3 A HOME ON UPSLOPE PROPERTY LIKE THIS ONE?

4

5 **DENNIS HUNTER:** NO, SUPERVISOR. IT'S A TYPICAL CONSTRUCTION
6 METHOD IN A SLOPING TERRAIN AREA.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WOULD PUBLIC WORKS REVIEW THE SOIL
9 STABILITY AND STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY FOR THE PROPOSED POOL?

10

11 **DENNIS HUNTER:** YES, WE WOULD, SUPERVISOR, IN ADDITION TO THE
12 RETAINING WALLS, AS WELL.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND ARE THERE ANY POOLS ON EXISTING
15 PROPERTIES THAT HAVE A SIMILAR SLOPE?

16

17 **DENNIS HUNTER:** YES, THERE IS, SUPERVISOR. THERE'S ABOUT 12
18 LOTS IN THE VICINITY WITH SWIMMING POOLS THAT SIT ADJACENT TO
19 A DESCENDING SLOPE.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND ARE YOU AWARE OF ANY INSTANCES WHERE
22 POOLS RUPTURING OR FALLING OR FAILING IN THE PINE CREST
23 NEIGHBORHOOD?

24



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1 **DENNIS HUNTER:** NO. OUR BUILDING AND SAFETY OFFICE ISN'T AWARE
2 OF ANY, SUPERVISOR.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND ARE TODAY'S BUILDING CODES AND GRADING
5 REQUIREMENTS STRICTER THAN THOSE IN PLACE WHEN MANY OF THOSE
6 EXISTING HOMES IN PINE CREST WERE BUILT?

7

8 **DENNIS HUNTER:** YES, THEY ARE MORE STRICT, SUPERVISOR. AND
9 SPECIFICALLY WITH REGARDS TO ENGINEERED GRADING REQUIREMENTS,
10 INCREASE IN DESIGN LOADS FOR RETAINING WALLS, AS WELL AS
11 REQUIREMENT FOR SPECIAL DEPUTY INSPECTION ON MASONRY RETAINING
12 WALLS.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU. THERE ARE MANY PHOTOS OF THE HOMES
15 IN THE AREA THAT ARE, AS YOU CAN SEE, COMPARABLE TO WHAT THE
16 PROPOSAL BEFORE US TODAY. THE REASON WE HAD REJECTED THE
17 ORIGINAL PROPOSAL WAS BECAUSE OF THE DENSITY AND THE NUMBER OF
18 HOMES THAT WERE BEING SUGGESTED. AND AT THAT TIME OUR BOARD
19 SAID THAT THEY HAD TO RESTRICT IT TO ONE HOME AND HAVE THE
20 SIZE BE COMPARABLE TO EXISTING HOMES IN THAT NEIGHBORHOOD. AND
21 AS A RESULT, THE PROPOSED SUBDIVISION FOR THAT 2716
22 WILLOWHAVEN DRIVE, WHICH HAD BEEN CONSIDERED AT TWO SEPARATE
23 PUBLIC HEARINGS BY OUR BOARD. SO GIVEN THAT REDUCTION IN
24 HEIGHT, THE INCREASED FRONT SETBACK AND THE REVISED PLANS THAT
25 WERE APPROVED BY THE STAFF, THE REGIONAL PLANNING AND PUBLIC



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1 WORKS, THE HOME IS CONSISTENT WITH THE OTHER HOMES IN THE PINE
2 CREST NEIGHBORHOOD, AND THE APPLICANT COMPLIED BY REVISING THE
3 ORIGINAL PROPOSALS THAT HE HAD BEEN TRYING TO HAVE APPROVED,
4 WHICH WAS NOT APPROVED BECAUSE IT WAS NOT APPROPRIATE FOR THAT
5 AREA. BUT WITH THE MODIFICATIONS THAT MAKE IT COMPATIBLE TO
6 SURROUNDING HOMES, WE WOULD LIKE TO THEN MOVE THAT THE BOARD
7 CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING BY ADOPTING THE NEGATIVE DECLARATION,
8 DIRECTING COUNTY COUNSEL TO PREPARE NECESSARY FINDINGS AND
9 CONDITIONS ON THE APPROVAL OF THE TENTATIVE TRACT MAP 063010.
10 BUT THE APPLICANT WILL STILL HAVE TO COMPLY WITH ALL OF THE
11 STANDARDS BEFORE ANY PERMITS ARE GOING TO BE ISSUED. AND WOULD
12 YOU, REGIONAL PLANNING, PUBLIC WORKS, ELABORATE ON WHAT
13 STANDARDS HAVE TO BE REVIEWED BEFORE ANY BUILDING PERMITS ARE
14 APPROVED?

15

16 **DENNIS HUNTER:** FIRST OF ALL, SUPERVISOR, THE APPLICANT WOULD
17 NEED TO SUBMIT A GRADING PLAN THAT WOULD HAVE TO BE IN
18 SUBSTANTIAL CONFORMANCE WITH THE TENTATIVE MAP IF IT WERE TO
19 BE APPROVED TODAY, AS WELL AS STRUCTURAL DESIGNS FOR THE
20 RETAINING WALLS, BUILDING PLANS FOR THE RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURE
21 AND SWIMMING POOL, AND THOSE WOULD NEED TO COMPLY WITH THE
22 LATEST VERSION OF THE BUILDING CODE THAT WAS ADOPTED BY YOUR
23 BOARD LAST YEAR.

24

25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** REGIONAL PLANNING?



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2 **JODIE SACKETT:** YES, SUPERVISOR. THE APPLICANT, PRIOR TO
3 RECEIVING AN ISSUANCE FOR A BUILDING PERMIT, WILL HAVE TO COME
4 BACK TO REGIONAL PLANNING AND SHOW STAFF PROPOSED PLANS,
5 SPECIFICALLY ALSO RELATED TO THE PROPOSED RETAINING WALLS AND
6 THE DESIGN OF THE DRIVEWAY SO THAT THEY ARE CONSISTENT WITH
7 WHAT IS BEING APPROVED TODAY.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO MR. CHAIRMAN, THAT WOULD BE THE MOTION.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. SECONDED
12 BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.
13 THANK YOU. ITEM NO. 10?

14

15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NO. 10. THIS IS THE COMBINED HEARING
16 ON PROJECT NO. R2007-2030, LOCAL PLAN AMENDMENT CASE NO.
17 200800005, CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT CASE NO. 200700146, HOUSING
18 PERMIT CASE NO. 200700005, AND OAK TREE PERMIT CASE NO.
19 200700039, A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION RELATING TO THE
20 PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2212 EL MOLINO AVENUE, AT 2141-2215
21 CRAWFORD AVENUE, 850 CALAVERAS STREET AND 805-813 ALAMEDA
22 STREET IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF ALTADENA, ALTADENA
23 ZONED DISTRICT, PETITIONED BY CAROLYN INGRAM SEITZ ON BEHALF
24 OF THE EPISCOPAL HOME COMMUNITIES.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. I'M GOING TO CALL THE SPEAKERS.

2

3 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THERE IS A DEPARTMENT STATEMENT ON THIS
4 MATTER.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IS THERE A DEPARTMENT STATEMENT ON THIS
7 MATTER?

8

9 **ANITA GUTIERREZ:** A BRIEF.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. IT'S ALL YOURS.

12

13 **ANITA GUTIERREZ:** GOOD AFTERNOON. ANITA GUTIERREZ FROM THE
14 DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING. TODAY'S AGENDA ITEM NO. 10
15 INCLUDES A LOCAL PLOT AMENDMENT TO CHANGE THE LAND USE
16 CATEGORY IN THE ALTADENA COMMUNITY PLAN FROM CATEGORY 2 TO
17 CATEGORY 4, MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL TO 12 TO 22 DWELLING
18 UNITS PER ACRE. A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO AUTHORIZE THE
19 CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF A NEW 278-UNIT
20 ASSISTED LIVING AND INDEPENDENT LIVING RESIDENTIAL COMMUNITY
21 FOR SENIORS IN THE R-2 ZONE, ALONG WITH THE HOUSING PERMIT AND
22 AN OAK TREE PERMIT. THE PROJECT SITE LOCATED AT 2212 EL MOLINO
23 AVENUE IN THE UNINCORPORATED PORTION OF ALTADENA. THE SENIOR
24 ASSISTED AN INDEPENDENT LIVING FACILITY WOULD PROVIDE 200
25 INDEPENDENT LIVING UNITS AND 38 ASSISTED LIVING UNITS. THE



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1 VILLA BUILDINGS WOULD PROVIDE 40 SENIOR APARTMENT UNITS.
2 ALTOGETHER THE PROPOSED PROJECT WOULD PROVIDE 278 UNITS FOR
3 SENIORS. THE PROPOSED PROJECT MEETS THE GOALS AND POLICIES SET
4 FORTH IN THE ALTADENA COMMUNITY PLAN AS THIS PROJECT IS A
5 SENIOR HOUSING FACILITY MEANT FOR RESIDENTS TO AGE IN PLACE
6 WITH AMENITIES PROVIDED ON SITE, AND IS LOCATED NEAR
7 COMMERCIAL USES. THAT CONCLUDES THE STAFF REPORT.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, ANY QUESTIONS OF STAFF? WE HAVE A
10 NUMBER OF SPEAKERS SIGNED UP ON THIS. MOST IN FAVOR. IF YOU
11 COULD LIMIT YOUR COMMENTS, PARTICULAR DUPLICATIVE TESTIMONY,
12 WE WOULD APPRECIATE IT TO A MINUTE. BECAUSE MOST OF YOU ARE IN
13 SUPPORT. MARTHA TAMBURRANO. I'LL CALL SEVERAL AT A TIME. J.
14 DAVID HOGLUND, GINO SUND, DR. SANDRA THOMAS.

15

16 **MARTHA TAMBURRANO:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN, SUPERVISORS.
17 I'M WONDERING IF MR. HOGLUND AND I REPRESENTING THE PROJECT
18 COULD HAVE A LITTLE MORE TIME WITH THE REMAINDER OF OUR
19 SPEAKERS PROMISING TO BE VERY, VERY SHORT IF NOT AT ALL.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

22

23 **MARTHA TAMBURRANO:** I'M MARTHA TAMBURRANO, PRESIDENT OF THE
24 EPISCOPAL HOME COMMUNITIES, AND WE THANK YOU FOR TO THE
25 OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT OUR REQUEST FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF MONTE



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1 CEDRO, A NEW CONTINUING CARE RETIREMENT COMMUNITY WE'RE
2 SEEKING TO DEVELOP IN ALTADENA. THE VISION OF MONTE CEDRO WAS
3 MADE POSSIBLE BY THE MERGER OF TWO LOCAL NOT-FOR-PROFIT
4 ORGANIZATIONS WITH LONG AND DISTINGUISHED TRACK RECORDS IN THE
5 FIELD OF SENIOR HOUSING AND SERVICES. THE EPISCOPAL HOME
6 COMMUNITIES WAS FOUNDED IN 1923 AND NOW OPERATES THREE
7 RETIREMENT COMMUNITIES IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. THE OTHER
8 ORGANIZATION INVOLVED IN THE MERGER WAS THE SCRIPPS HOME,
9 FOUNDED IN 1912. IT OPERATED ON THE SITE THAT'S UNDER
10 DISCUSSION TODAY. BESIDES HAVING LONG HISTORIES AND
11 REPUTATIONS FOR EXCELLENCE, THE EPISCOPAL HOME COMMUNITIES AND
12 THE SCRIPPS HOME SHARED SIMILAR CHARITABLE MISSIONS WITH LONG-
13 STANDING COMMITMENTS TO SERVE PEOPLE OF ALL FINANCIAL
14 ABILITIES. AS PART OF THE MERGER BETWEEN THESE TWO
15 ORGANIZATIONS, 140 RESIDENTS MOVED FROM THE SCRIPPS HOME IN
16 ALTADENA TO SCRIPPS KENSINGTON IN ALHAMBRA. THE RESIDENTS ARE
17 THRIVING THERE AND HAVE BROUGHT WONDERFUL NEW LIFE TO THE
18 COMMUNITY. WE HAVE COMMITTED TO ALL THOSE RESIDENTS WHO MOVED
19 FROM THE SCRIPPS HOME THAT THEY MAY RETURN TO MONTE CEDRO IN
20 ALTADENA WHEN IT IS OPEN, IF THAT IS THEIR CHOICE. WE ARE
21 PROUD TO SAY THAT THIS YEAR THE EPISCOPAL HOME COMMUNITIES IS
22 PROVIDING \$3.5 MILLION IN CHARITABLE SUPPORT TO OVER 150
23 SENIORS WHO LIVE AT SCRIPPS KENSINGTON. MOST OF THOSE SENIORS
24 RELY ONLY ON S.S.I. AS THEIR ONLY MEANS OF FINANCIAL SUPPORT,
25 AND IT IS WITHIN OUR MISSION AND INTENT TO HAVE AN ONGOING



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1 BENEVOLENT CARE PROGRAM AT MONTE CEDRO IN ALTADENA, AS WELL.
2 THE MERGER ALLOWED US TO DO A NUMBER OF STRATEGIC THINGS THAT
3 WERE BENEFICIAL FOR BOTH ORGANIZATIONS, NOT IN THE LEAST WHICH
4 WAS THE OPPORTUNITY TO CREATE MONTE CEDRO, A NEW STATE OF ART
5 COMMUNITY ON THE SITE OF THE FORMER SCRIPTS HOME. THE
6 BUILDINGS ON THE SITE HAVE NOW BEEN DECONSTRUCTED, OVER 50
7 PERCENT OF THE MATERIALS WERE RECYCLED AND THE SITE IS READY
8 FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE NEW COMMUNITY, PENDING APPROVAL.
9 WE'VE HAD ABOUT SIX TO EIGHT MEETINGS WITH THE NEIGHBORS TO
10 GAIN THEIR INPUT INTO OUR PLANNING PROCESSES. WE'VE MET WITH
11 TOWN LEADERS AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES OVER THE COURSE OF
12 THE LAST 24 MONTHS. WE MADE 25 PRESENTATIONS TO PROSPECTIVE
13 RESIDENTS AND MORE THAN 300 INDIVIDUALS INDICATED AN INTEREST
14 IN MOVING TO MONTE CEDRO, WE WERE DELIGHTED AND MOST GRATEFUL
15 TO RECEIVE UNANIMOUS APPROVAL FROM THE LAND USE COMMITTEE AND
16 THE ALTADENA TOWN COUNCIL. AND WE WOULD ALSO LIKE TO THANK THE
17 REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION FOR THE GREAT WORK THEY DID WITH
18 US ON THIS PROJECT AND THEIR AFFIRMATIVE VOTE IN OCTOBER.
19 WE'VE REACHED OUT TO THE LEADERS OF MANY OTHER NOT-FOR-PROFIT
20 ORGANIZATIONS IN THE AREA IN ORDER TO ESTABLISH COLLABORATIONS
21 THAT WILL BRING THE OUTSIDE COMMUNITIES INTO THE CAMPUS TO
22 BENEFIT THE LIVES OF THE RESIDENTS AS WELL. AS EVERYONE IN
23 THIS ROOM KNOWS, THE DECLINE IN THE ECONOMY HAS AFFECTED ALL
24 INDIVIDUALS AND CERTAINLY ALL ORGANIZATIONS. THE SUCCESSFUL
25 DEVELOPMENT OF A NEW CONTINUING CARE RETIREMENT COMMUNITY IS



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1 DIRECTLY LINKED TO THE HOUSING MARKET AND THE FINANCIAL
2 MARKETS. CIRCUMSTANCES HAVE NEGATIVELY AFFECTED BOTH. HOUSING
3 PRICES HAVE PLUMMETED AND CREDIT AT AFFORDABLE RATES IS STILL
4 UNAVAILABLE. UNTIL THE HOUSING MARKET RETURNS AND FUNDING
5 BECOMES AVAILABLE, WE CANNOT MOVE FORWARD. CONSEQUENTLY, EARLY
6 THIS YEAR, OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS ACCEPTED MANAGEMENT'S
7 RECOMMENDATION TO POSTPONE FURTHER ACTIVITY ON THE PROJECT
8 UNTIL SUCH TIME AS IT BECOMES ECONOMICALLY FEASIBLE ONCE
9 AGAIN. UPON REACHING THIS CONCLUSION, THE EPISCOPAL HOME
10 COMMUNITIES RETURNED ALL DEPOSIT MONIES TO THE PROSPECT.
11 HAVING SAID THAT, IT IS STILL OUR DESIRE TO BRING A SENIOR
12 LIVING PROJECT TO THE COMMUNITY, AND WE HOPE THAT THE ECONOMIC
13 CONDITIONS WILL CONTINUE FAR INTO THE FUTURE, THEREFORE WE'RE
14 RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING THAT YOU GRANT A FOUR-YEAR TIME PERIOD
15 IN WHICH WE HAVE TO USE THE PERMIT. WE THANK YOU FOR THIS
16 HEARING TODAY, AND I NOW INTRODUCE TO YOU DAVID HOGLUND, OUR
17 ARCHITECT.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

20

21 **DAVID HOGLUND:** MY NAME IS DAVID HOGLUND, I'M THE PRINCIPAL
22 ARCHITECT WITH PERKINS EASTMAN. THE STAFF REPORT WAS REALLY
23 QUITE THOROUGH AND MARTY TAMBURRANO'S OVERVIEW OF THE PROJECT.
24 SO I'D JUST LIKE TO HIT A COUPLE OF IMPORTANT POINTS. NOT ONLY
25 WAS ALL OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD AND LOCAL COMMUNITY INPUT



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1 INCORPORATED INTO THE DESIGN, BUT THERE WERE EXTENSIVE EXPERT
2 REPORTS ON GEOLOGY, THE TREES, HISTORICAL, AND ALL THE
3 ARBOROUS REPORTS AND GEOLOGY THAT GUIDED THE DEVELOPMENT OF
4 THIS PLAN. IT WAS OUR INTENT FROM THE BEGINNING TO DEVELOP A
5 STATE-OF-THE-ART COMMUNITY THAT BUILT ON THE BEST ATTRIBUTES
6 OF THE SITE AND THE NEIGHBORHOOD BY MAINTAINING THE OPEN SPACE
7 AND ACTUALLY SLIGHTLY BEING ABLE TO INCREASE THAT, MAINTAINING
8 AS MANY OF THE MATURE TREES AS POSSIBLE AND ALSO UTILIZING
9 EXISTING SITE ORGANIZATION WITH THE FRONT ENTRANCE OFF OF EL
10 MOLINO, THE SERVICE DRIVE THROUGH THE MID-BLOCK FROM CALAVERAS
11 SOUTH TO ALAMEDA, AND INCORPORATING THE SETBACKS OF THE FORMER
12 BUILDINGS ON THE SITE AS THE GUIDELINES FOR OUR BUILDING
13 DEVELOPMENT AND ALSO DEVELOPING THE OVERALL HEIGHT WITHIN THE
14 FOUR-STORY BUILDINGS THAT HAD BEEN ON THE PROPERTY TO BEGIN
15 WITH. WE ALSO HAVE BEEN WORKING ON THE SUSTAINABILITY PIECES
16 AND MAKING SURE THAT OUR PROJECT WILL NOT ONLY BE A STATE-OF-
17 THE-ART COMMUNITY FOR THE RESIDENTS IN THAT COMMUNITY BUT FOR
18 THE COMMUNITY AT LARGE. I SHOULD ALSO POINT OUT THAT THERE
19 HAVE BEEN MODIFICATIONS OVER THE YEARS TO THIS PROJECT. FROM
20 EARLY DECISIONS BASED ON NEIGHBOR INPUT TO REDUCING THE HEIGHT
21 OF THE BUILDING FROM FIVE STORIES TO FOUR STORIES AND ALSO
22 MEETING WITH OUR NEIGHBORS AND RELOCATING PIECES OF THE
23 ENTRANCE DRIVE, WHICH ACTUALLY IMPACTED SOME OF THE TREE
24 ISSUES THAT WE HAVE DISCUSSED IN OUR REPORTS TO YOU. SO I'M
25 HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS ON THE DESIGN OF THE PROJECT.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MAY I ASK A COUPLE QUICK
3 QUESTIONS? WHAT WAS YOUR COMMUNITY OUTREACH FOR THE PROJECT?

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5 **MARTHA TAMBURRANO:** WE HAD BETWEEN SIX AND EIGHT MEETINGS WITH
6 THE NEIGHBORS IN THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITY, ABOUT 1,000 FEET,
7 WE NOTIFIED THEM AND INVITED THEM TO THE SITE AND HAD ANY
8 NUMBER OF DISCUSSIONS WITH THEM ABOUT THEIR THINKING.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHY DO YOU NEED AN APPROVAL PERIOD THAT'S
11 LONGER THAN THE STANDARD TWO-YEAR PLUS A ONE-YEAR EXTENSION?

12

13 **MARTHA TAMBURRANO:** AT THE PRESENT TIME, WE ARE NOT IN THE
14 POSITION TO BE ABLE TO MARKET THE COMMUNITY, BECAUSE TO DO SO
15 WOULD REQUIRE US TO REACH OUT TO PEOPLE WHO ARE NOT IN A
16 POSITION TO SELL THEIR HOMES AND SO THAT WILL BE NEEDED.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT IS THE BENEVOLENT CARE PROGRAM? WHAT
19 HAPPENS WITH THE ENDOWMENT FOR THE LIFETIME CARE OF RESIDENTS?

20

21 **MARTHA TAMBURRANO:** AS WE DO AT OUR SCRIPPS KENSINGTON
22 COMMUNITY, WE HAVE AN ENDOWMENT THAT IS SET ASIDE TO TAKE CARE
23 OF SOME PEOPLE WHO ARE NOT ABLE TO PAY THEIR FULL MONTHLY
24 FEES. AND AS I SPOKE, WE DO NOW THREE AND A HALF MILLION
25 DOLLARS OF CARE. IT WAS OUR INTENTION TO DO A MILLION AND A



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1 HALF OF CHARITABLE WORK AT THE MONTE CEDRO SITE. HOWEVER
2 RECENT ECONOMIC CONDITIONS HAVE ALSO IMPACTED OUR ENDOWMENTS.
3 AND SO I THINK IT WOULD BE UNWISE FOR ME TO COMMIT TO AN
4 AMOUNT AT THIS TIME. BUT THAT IS OUR MISSION AS AN
5 ORGANIZATION.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. NEXT?

10

11 **GINO SUND:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR, SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS GINO
12 SUND, CHAIRMAN OF THE ALTADENA TOWN COUNCIL. I'VE COME HERE
13 TODAY ON BEHALF OF THE TOWN COUNCIL AND THE RESIDENTS OF
14 ALTADENA TO ASK YOU TO APPROVE THE MONTE CEDRO PROJECT. TOWN
15 COUNCIL AND OUR LAND USE COMMITTEE BOTH VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO
16 RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE PROJECT. THIS WAS AFTER A LENGTHY
17 AND COMPREHENSIVE PROCESS SPANNING MORE THAN TWO YEARS. THE
18 EPISCOPAL HOMES COMMUNITY ENGAGED ALTADENA THROUGH THE TOWN
19 COUNCIL AND WITH MULTIPLE MEETINGS WITH THE RESIDENTS OF THE
20 IMMEDIATE NEIGHBORHOOD AND BEYOND. THEY MADE TWO COMPREHENSIVE
21 AND DETAILED PRESENTATIONS TO OUR LAND USE COMMITTEE AND THREE
22 PRESENTATIONS, ONE CONCEPTUAL AND TWO DETAILED, TO TOWN
23 COUNCIL. THESE PUBLIC MEETINGS WERE WELL-ATTENDED, TWO
24 ACTUALLY WERE STANDING ROOM ONLY. MOST OF THE QUESTIONS RAISED
25 BY THE COMMUNITY WERE RELATED TO THE BENEVOLENT MISSION AND



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1 THE OPERATION OF THE NEW ORGANIZATION. BUT THERE WERE NO
2 SIGNIFICANT LAND USE ISSUES RAISED BY THE PUBLIC AT OUR
3 MEETINGS. THE OVERWHELMING REACTION OF THE PROJECT WAS
4 POSITIVE. AND IT IS THE COLLECTIVE JUDGMENT OF THE TOWN
5 COUNCIL THAT THIS PROJECT ENJOYS BROAD SUPPORT THROUGHOUT
6 ALTADENA. THE MONTE CEDRO PROJECT WILL BE THE MOST IMPORTANT
7 DEVELOPMENT IN OUR COMMUNITY IN THE NEXT DECADE BECAUSE IT
8 WILL PROVIDE MUCH-NEEDED SENIOR HOUSING AND EXPANDED ASSISTED
9 LIVING OPTIONS FOR OUR RESIDENTS. SO AGAIN, WE ASK FOR YOUR
10 POSITIVE CONSIDERATION.

11
12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. I ASK I THINK IT'S TECUMSEH
13 SHACKELFORD, KEN BALDER, AND MONICA HUBBARD TO JOIN US. DR.
14 THOMAS.

15
16 **DR. SANDRA THOMAS:** THANK YOU AND GREETINGS. MY NAME IS SANDRA
17 THOMAS, AND I AM A 32-YEAR RESIDENT OF ALTADENA. I CURRENTLY
18 SIT ON THE TOWN COUNCIL, AND I'M ALSO A HUMAN RELATIONS
19 COMMISSIONER REPRESENTING THE FIFTH DISTRICT, MY SUPERVISOR,
20 MICHAEL D. ANTONOVICH. I'M HERE TOLD IN TOTAL SUPPORT OF THE
21 MONTE CEDRO PROJECT, BECAUSE I SIMPLY FEEL THAT IT IS VITAL TO
22 THE ALTADENA COMMUNITY. AND I FEEL THAT WAY BECAUSE THIS
23 PROJECT HAS BEEN SIMPLY LAID OUT TO ADDRESS THE ISSUES OF
24 HOUSING AND SERVICES TO THE SENIORS IN OUR COMMUNITY. I BASE
25 THIS NOT ONLY ON THE FACTS THAT HAVE BEEN PUT BEFORE US, BUT I



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1 DO TRULY BELIEVE IN MY HEART THAT MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY
2 THAT ARE IN THEIR TWILIGHT YEARS SHOULD NOT HAVE TO BE
3 CONCERNED ABOUT WHETHER OR NOT THEIR QUALITY OF LIFE IS GOING
4 TO CHANGE AT THIS POINT. AND I FEEL THAT THIS PROJECT
5 CERTAINLY ADDRESSES AND MEETS THE NEEDS OF THESE CONCERNS. SO
6 I'M JUST SIMPLY GOING TO ASK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO
7 APPROVE THE REQUEST CONCERNING THIS MONTE CEDRO PROJECT TODAY,
8 NOT ONLY BECAUSE WE'RE HERE BUT BECAUSE OF THE OVERALL
9 BETTERMENT IT WILL BRING TO OUR COMMUNITY AND THE WELL-BEING
10 OF OUR SENIOR CITIZENS. WITH THAT I THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. GENE CAMPBELL. OKAY.
13 SHACKELFORD.

14

15 **TECUMSEH SHACKELFORD:** YEAH. TECUMSEH SHACKELFORD OF THE
16 ALTADENA TOWN COUNCIL, TRACT 4610. I SUPPORT THIS PROJECT. MY
17 COMMUNITY SUPPORTS THIS PROJECT AND I WANT TO KEEP MY TIME
18 REAL SHORT LIKE YOU ASKED ME. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. I APOLOGIZE IN MISPRONOUNCING
21 YOUR FIRST NAME. NEXT? I'D ASK THOMAS HUBBARD TO JOIN US, AS
22 WELL, TOO.

23

24 **KEN BALDER:** KEN BALDER, CURRENT VICE CHAIR OF THE ALTADENA
25 TOWN COUNCIL, URGING YOU TO PLEASE APPROVE THIS PROJECT.



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1 PROFESSIONALLY SPEAKING, MANY OF US IN ALTADENA AND MANY
2 PEOPLE HAVE TALKED TO ME ABOUT WHY THEY COULDN'T HAVE A
3 FACILITY LIKE THIS TO REMAIN IN THE COMMUNITY WHERE THEY GREW
4 UP, RAISED THEIR CHILDREN AND REALLY ENDEARINGLY LOVE ALTADENA
5 AND WOULD LOVE TO RETIRE IN ALTADENA IF THERE WAS SUCH A
6 PROJECT. SO AGAIN WE THANK YOU AND HOPE YOU WILL SUPPORT THE
7 PROJECT.

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9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. DR. ALLEN MATHIES, JR.
10 MONICA?

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12 **MONICA HUBBARD:** MY NAME IS MONICA HUBBARD, I'M A 41-YEAR
13 RESIDENT OF DISTRICT 5 AND A 36-YEAR RESIDENT OF ALTADENA. FOR
14 IDENTIFICATION PURPOSES ONLY, I'M A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF THE
15 ALTADENA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, A MEMBER OF THE ALTADENA
16 SHERIFF'S COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE. A NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH
17 CO-CAPTAIN, FOUNDER OF THE ALTADENA WOMEN'S NETWORK, AND THE
18 SOCIAL POLICY DIRECTOR FOR THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS,
19 PASADENA AREA. AS A LONGTIME ALTADENA RESIDENT ACTIVELY
20 ENGAGED WITH MANY SECTORS OF THE COMMUNITY, I AM HERE TO
21 SUPPORT THE PROJECT. AT A TIME WHEN THE FASTEST GROWING
22 SEGMENT OF OUR AREA IS THE SENIOR POPULATION, WE KNOW THAT
23 SENIOR HOUSING AT ALL AFFORDABILITY LEVELS IS IN SHORT SUPPLY.
24 WE ALSO KNOW THAT ALTADENA HAS BEEN HOME TO A SENIOR CARE
25 FACILITY ON THIS SITE FOR 95 YEARS. WE NEED MONTE CEDRO.



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1 ALTADENA HAS NO LOCAL NEWSPAPER. IN SPITE OF THAT,
2 CONSIDERABLE OUTREACH CHALLENGES, THE EPISCOPAL HOME
3 COMMUNITIES HAVE DONE AN EXTRAORDINARY JOB CONDUCTING
4 COMMUNITY MEETINGS. I HAVE ATTENDED FIVE OF THOSE MEETINGS. AT
5 EACH MEETING, I FOUND EPISCOPAL HOME COMMUNITIES'
6 PRESENTATIONS THOROUGH, RESPECTFUL, RESPONSIVE AND I MIGHT ADD
7 INCREDIBLY PATIENT TO COMMUNITY STAKEHOLDER INPUT.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IF YOU COULD SORT OF WRAP IT UP THERE,
10 WE'D APPRECIATE IT.

11

12 **MONICA HUBBARD:** IN SHORT, WE DEFINITELY SUPPORT THIS PROJECT
13 AND HOPE THAT THE SUPERVISORS WILL APPROVE THE AMENDMENT, THE
14 C.U.P., THE HOUSING PERMIT AND OAK TREE PERMITS. THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MR. CAMPBELL, AND THEN I'M
17 GOING TO ASK RON APEL TO JOIN US, PLEASE? PARDON ME? OKAY,
18 THANK YOU.

19

20 **GENE CAMPBELL:** MY NAME IS GENE CAMPBELL. I'M A RESIDENT OF
21 ALTADENA FOR ABOUT 38 YEARS. AND THE WAY I LOOK AT THIS
22 PROGRAM, I BELIEVE IN VOLUNTEERING. AND WITH THE RESIDENTS
23 LIVING IN THIS PROJECT, THEY HAVE TWO SCHOOLS THEY CAN
24 VOLUNTEER AT: AN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TO THE NORTH AND A MIDDLE



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1 SCHOOL TO THE EAST WITHIN A WALKING DISTANCE. SO I DO HOPE YOU
2 APPROVE THIS PROJECT.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. YES, SIR.

5

6 **TOM HUBBARD:** MY NAME'S TOM HUBBARD. I'M A FORMER TOWN COUNCIL
7 REPRESENTATIVE. I AM A CO-CAPTAIN OF OUR NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH,
8 AND I'M A MEMBER OF THE SHERIFF'S ADVISORY COUNCIL. I'M A
9 RETIRED COUNTY EMPLOYEE FOR 22 YEARS WITH D.P.S.S. AND
10 BEGINNING IN THE OLD MEDICAL ASSISTANCE TO THE AGED PROGRAM,
11 WHICH TOOK ME INTO A NUMBER OF SENIOR LIVING FACILITIES. AND
12 COMPARED TO THEM, THE ONE THAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT TODAY,
13 MONTE CEDRO IS HEAD AND SHOULDERS, IT'S MAGNIFICENT. A FRIEND
14 OF OURS WAS APPOINTED BY BISHOP JOHN BRUNO TO BE THE CHAPLAIN
15 AT KENSINGTON, WHICH IS ANOTHER OF THE EPISCOPAL HOME
16 COMMUNITIES' FACILITIES, AND I HAD TIME TO SPEND OVER THERE
17 AND WAS IMPRESSED MIGHTILY BY THE ATMOSPHERE THAT'S CREATED BY
18 THE SENSE THAT THE PEOPLE HAVE OF THEIR VALUE. AND THE
19 POSSIBILITY OF HAVING A FACILITY LIKE THAT SERVING THE AGED
20 PEOPLE, OF WHOM I NUMBER MYSELF, IN ALTADENA IS SOMETHING THAT
21 I HOPE YOU CAN FIND IT IN YOUR STANDARDS TO SUPPORT.

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23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. AND THANK YOU TO THE OTHERS
24 WHO WAIVED THEIR SPEAKING TIME IN FAVOR OF THE PROJECT. THE



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1 RECORD WILL SO REFLECT. MR. STEVEN LAMB. MR. LAMB IS IN
2 OPPOSITION AND THEN ARNOLD SACHS.

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4 **STEVEN LAMB:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF
5 SUPERVISORS. I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK.
6 I HAVE ONE MINUTE TO GIVE YOU A FIVE-MINUTE TALK. THAT'S NOT
7 UNUSUAL. I WISH I COULD TAKE YOU BACK TO SCRIPPS WHEN IT STILL
8 EXISTED THERE BECAUSE SCRIPPS IS A TERRIBLE LOSS TO THIS
9 COMMUNITY. SCRIPPS WAS AN INSTITUTION THAT PROVIDED EXTREMELY
10 HIGH QUALITY CARE FOR BOTH AMBULATORY OLD PEOPLE AND THOSE WHO
11 WERE SICK, WHICH MONTE CEDRO IS NOT GOING TO DO, AT A VERY
12 AFFORDABLE COST. AND IT WAS A VITAL CENTER TO OUR COMMUNITY.
13 MONTE CEDRO IS GOING TO BE AN ACT OF GENTRIFICATION AND IS NOT
14 GOING TO PROVIDE THE SAME LEVELS OF CARE AND SERVICE. AND THEN
15 BECAUSE I SEE THE TIME CLICKING AWAY QUICKLY, I'D ALSO ASK
16 THAT YOU NOT EXTEND TO THE FOUR-YEAR PERIOD THE APPROVAL.
17 THERE'S NO WAY THEY CAN GET THIS PROJECT FINANCED IN THE NEXT
18 THREE YEARS. AND WHY DON'T WE WAIT AND SEE WHAT THEIR PLANS
19 ARE REALLY GOING TO BE FOR WHAT WE HAVE AS OUR REAL ECONOMY
20 WHEN WE'RE DONE IN FOUR YEARS WHEN WE COME THROUGH THE CRISIS.
21 THANK YOU.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MR. SACHS?

24



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1 **ARNOLD SACHS:** GOOD MORNING, THANK YOU, ARNOLD SACHS. JUST VERY
2 CURIOUS ABOUT THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT, 146-5 AND 0005-5. IS
3 IT POSSIBLE TO GET A BREAKDOWN EXACTLY HOW MANY OF THE 278
4 UNITS WILL BE IN THE R-2 FAMILY RESIDENCE ZONE VERSUS THE A-1
5 ZONE? AND THE 14 PERCENT DENSITY BONUS FOR THE PORTION OF THE
6 R-2 ZONE, WHAT WOULD BE THAT TOTAL OF THE NUMBER OF RESIDENTS
7 THAT WOULD BE IN THE R-2 ZONE ITSELF? IS THERE GOING TO BE 180
8 HOMES IN THE R-2 LOT RESIDENCE ZONE? AND THE REST IN THE LIGHT
9 AGRICULTURAL ZONE? AND THEN THE 14 PERCENT WOULD BE AT 180? OR
10 HOW DOES THAT BREAK DOWN? JUST OUT OF CURIOSITY. THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. WELL IT'S 278 TOTAL UNITS.
13 THE 14 PERCENT DENSITY BONUS I ASSUME IS INCLUDED IN THAT. MR.
14 ANTONOVICH?

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME ASK THE REGIONAL PLANNING? WHAT WAS
17 THE HEIGHT OF THE BUILDINGS THAT WERE DEMOLISHED? AND WHAT ARE
18 THE PROPOSED HEIGHTS FOR THIS PROJECT?

19

20 **ANITA GUTIERREZ:** THE ORIGINAL HEIGHT OF THE BUILDINGS WERE
21 FOUR STORIES, APPROXIMATELY 65 FEET TALL AT ITS HIGHEST POINT.
22 THE PROPOSED BUILDING, NEW BUILDINGS ARE AT ITS HIGHEST POINT
23 65 FEET WITH OTHER BUILDINGS STEPPING DOWN AND BEING 35 FEET
24 TALL.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WHAT ENVIRONMENTAL OR OTHER STUDIES WERE
2 PREPARED FOR THE PROJECT?

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4 **ANITA GUTIERREZ:** THERE WAS A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION
5 PREPARED FOR THE PROJECT, AND SEVERAL STUDIES INCLUDING
6 HYDROLOGY, GRADING AND DRAINAGE, ARCHAEOLOGICAL, HISTORICAL,
7 TRAFFIC, AIR QUALITY, A SEWER AREA STUDY AS WELL AS AN
8 ARBORIST REPORT.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WHY ARE THE TALLER BUILDINGS LOCATED ON
11 THE PROPERTY?

12

13 **ANITA GUTIERREZ:** THE TALLER BUILDINGS ARE LOCATED MORE TOWARDS
14 THE EL MOLINO PORTION OF THE PROJECT AND ARE STEPPED DOWN IN
15 HEIGHT.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WILL THE MAIN ENTRANCE REMAIN WHERE IT IS?

18

19 **ANITA GUTIERREZ:** THE MAIN ENTRANCE FOR THE FACILITY IS LOCATED
20 ON EL MOLINO, WHERE PREVIOUSLY THE MAIN ENTRANCE FOR THE
21 SCRIPPS PROJECT WAS. THE ONLY DIFFERENCE IS THE MAIN ENTRANCE
22 ON EL MOLINO WILL ONLY SERVE AS A PICKUP AND DROP-OFF. THE
23 MAIN ENTRANCE FOR THE PARKING LOT, THE SUBTERRANEAN PARKING,
24 WILL BE LOCATED ON ALAMEDA, AND ANOTHER DRIVEWAY FOR SERVICE
25 ENTRANCE OF VEHICLES ON CALAVERAS.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE ENTRANCE FOR THE VILLAS ALONG
3 CRAWFORD?

4

5 **ANITA GUTIERREZ:** THERE ARE FOUR ENTRANCES, FOUR DRIVEWAYS FOR
6 THE VILLAS ON CRAWFORD.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND DID THE ALTADENA TOWN COUNCIL CONSIDER
9 THIS PROJECT?

10

11 **ANITA GUTIERREZ:** YES, THEY DID. AND THEY SENT A LETTER OF
12 SUPPORT IN SEPTEMBER OF 2008.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WHAT WAS THE VOTE OF THE REGIONAL
15 PLANNING COMMISSION?

16

17 **ANITA GUTIERREZ:** IT WAS 4-0 AT THE COMMISSION.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** UNANIMOUS VOTE BASICALLY. WHAT IS THE BASIS
20 OF YOUR SUPPORT FOR THE PROJECT?

21

22 **ANITA GUTIERREZ:** THE PRIMARY BASIS FOR THE DEPARTMENT'S
23 SUPPORT OF THE PROJECT IS THAT IT PROVIDES THAT NEEDED SENIOR
24 HOUSING FOR THE AREA AS WELL AS IN THE UNINCORPORATED COUNTY



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1 AREA, AS WELL AS IT'S CONSISTENT WITH THE ALTADENA COMMUNITY
2 PLAN AS WELL AS THE ZONING CODE.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU. AND FOR PUBLIC WORKS, DID YOU
5 REVIEW THE TRAFFIC STUDY? AND DID YOU CONCLUDE WHAT WITH THAT
6 STUDY?

7

8 **DENNIS HUNTER:** YES, SUPERVISOR, WE DID REVIEW A TRAFFIC STUDY.
9 AND IT CONCLUDED THAT THERE WERE NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACTS
10 CREATED BY THE PROJECT.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND YOU AGREE WITH THOSE CONCLUSIONS?

13

14 **DENNIS HUNTER:** YES, WE AGREED WITH THE CONSULTANT'S
15 CONCLUSIONS.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DID YOU REVIEW THE SEWER AREA STUDY AND ARE
18 THERE ANY SEWER REQUIREMENTS THAT WILL BE REQUIRED? AND WHAT
19 PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS WOULD THERE BE IF THEY ARE REQUIRED?

20

21 **DENNIS HUNTER:** YES, WE REVIEWED AND APPROVED THE SEWER AREA
22 STUDY, SUPERVISOR. AND IT REQUIRES THE APPLICANT TO CONSTRUCT
23 ABOUT 100 FOOT OF SEWER UPGRADE WHERE IT CONNECTS TO THE
24 SANITATION DISTRICT TRUNK LINE. AND THAT WILL BE UPSIZING AN
25 8-INCH SEWER TO A 15-INCH SEWER.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS, THE SUBJECT PROPERTY

3 IN ALTADENA HAS BEEN A HOME TO SENIOR CITIZEN RESIDENTS SINCE

4 1912. THE CURRENT OWNER, EPISCOPAL HOME COMMUNITIES, HAS

5 PROPOSED TO CONSTRUCT A SENIOR CITIZENS' RESIDENTIAL FACILITY

6 ON THIS SITE. THE PROJECT WOULD PROVIDE A VALUABLE SENIOR

7 HOUSING IN ALTADENA WHICH HAS BEEN THE FOCUS OF AN EXTENSIVE

8 LOCAL COMMUNITY OUTREACH EFFORT FOR THE PAST THREE YEARS. THE

9 PROJECT THAT WE HAVE BEFORE US TODAY WAS STATED CONSIDERED BY

10 THE ALTADENA TOWN COUNCIL AND ITS LAND USE COMMITTEE. AFTER

11 PUBLIC TESTIMONY FROM THE LOCAL COMMUNITY, THE COUNCIL VOTED

12 UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE THE PROJECT. THE REGIONAL PLANNING

13 COMMISSION ALSO, AS STATED, APPROVED ON A 4-0 VOTE APPROVAL OF

14 THIS PROJECT. SO I'D MOVE THAT THE BOARD CLOSE THE PUBLIC

15 HEARING, ADOPT THE MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION, SIGNIFY OUR

16 INTENT TO APPROVE THE LOCAL PLAN AMENDMENT AND HOUSING PERMIT,

17 OAK TREE PERMIT AND CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT, DIRECTING STAFF TO

18 MODIFY THE CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL TO PROVIDE FOR AN INITIAL

19 TERM OF APPROVAL OF FOUR YEARS WITH THE POTENTIAL OF AN

20 ADDITIONAL ONE-YEAR EXTENSION, UPON APPLICATION OF THE

21 DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING AND PROHIBIT THE ACTUAL

22 REMOVAL OF OAK TREES UNTIL THE ISSUANCE OF A GRADING PERMIT

23 FOR THE PROJECT, DIRECTING COUNTY COUNSEL TO PREPARE FINDINGS

24 AND CONDITIONS TO AFFIRM THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION'S



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1 APPROVAL FOR THE PROJECT, AND BRING THE MATTER BACK TO THE
2 BOARD AT A FUTURE MEETING.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED WHICH SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.
5 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. HEARING NO OBJECTIONS, SO
6 ORDERED. THANK YOU. WE'LL GO BACK AND CLEAN UP ITEMS NO. 1 AND
7 2.

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9 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MR. CHAIRMAN, ON ITEM NO. 1 AND MEMBERS OF
10 THE BOARD, AFTER TABULATING THE BALLOTS A DETERMINATION HAS
11 BEEN MADE THAT NO MAJORITY PROTEST EXISTS AGAINST THE PROPOSED
12 ANNEXATION AND LEVYING OF ASSESSMENTS FOR PETITIONS NO. 109-
13 80658-407, 160-1206, 1-107, 54-407, 118-807 AND 43-307 TO
14 COUNTY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1687 AND COUNTY LIGHTING
15 DISTRICT LLA-1, UNINCORPORATED ZONE. AS A RESULT, IT WOULD BE
16 APPROPRIATE FOR THE BOARD TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION ORDERING
17 ANNEXATION AND LEVYING OF THE ASSESSMENTS FOR THE
18 AFOREMENTIONED PETITIONS TO COUNTY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE
19 DISTRICT 1687 AND COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT LLA-1,
20 UNINCORPORATED ZONE.

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22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS
23 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NO. 2, AFTER TABULATING THE BALLOTS, A
2 DETERMINATION HAS BEEN MADE THAT NO MAJORITY PROTEST EXISTS
3 AGAINST THE PROPOSED ANNEXATION AND LEVYING OF ANNUAL
4 ASSESSMENTS FOR APPROVED TENTATIVE SUBDIVISION TERRITORIES,
5 PROJECT NUMBERS L-042-2007-- EXCUSE ME. THE NEXT ITEM, L071-
6 2007, L096-2007, AND L079-2002, AND TRACT NUMBER 65157; 54367
7 AND 52829 TO COUNTY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1687 AND
8 1697, COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT LLA-1, UNINCORPORATED AND
9 CARSON ZONES. AS A RESULT, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR THE
10 BOARD TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION ORDERING ANNEXATION AND THE
11 LEVYING OF ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS WITHIN THE AFOREMENTIONED
12 ANNEXED APPROVED TENTATIVE SUBDIVISION TERRITORIES TO COUNTY
13 LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICTS 1687 AND 1697, AND COUNTY
14 LIGHTING DISTRICT LLA-1, UNINCORPORATED AND CARSON ZONES.

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16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS,
17 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA, WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THAT COMPLETES THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** JUST FOR EVERYONE'S INFORMATION, AS I
22 MENTIONED EARLIER, WE'LL BE GOING AT 1:00 TO AN UPDATE FROM
23 OUR PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICER ON ISSUES SURROUNDING THE SWINE FLU
24 SITUATION. SO IF WE'RE IN THE MIDDLE OF SOMETHING, I JUST WANT
25 YOU TO KNOW SO NOBODY GETS UPSET THAT WE'RE GOING TO BREAK TO



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1 TAKE OUR 1:00 PRESENTATION. SO ALTHOUGH IT'S ONLY NOON, I KNOW
2 WE HAVE A NUMBER OF ITEMS THAT ARE GOING TO REQUIRE SOME TIME,
3 BUT SHOULD WE BE IN THE MIDDLE OF THOSE, I WOULD ASK YOUR
4 COOPERATION. SO WITH THAT, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, YOU'RE UP
5 FIRST ON SPECIALS.

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7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. CHAIRMAN. MAY I
8 MOVE TOWARD ITEM NO. 11? I ACKNOWLEDGE WHERE WE ARE WITH
9 RESPECT TO OUR AGENDA FOR THE DAY AND THE FACT THAT WE HAVE A
10 SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF WORK TO DO. IT IS IMPORTANT TO INDICATE
11 THAT QUITE A CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF WORK HAS BEEN DONE IN
12 PREPARATION FOR ITEM 11. THE MOTION IS BEFORE YOU. IT
13 ESSENTIALLY CALLS FOR THE C.E.O., ALONG WITH APPROPRIATE
14 STAFF, TO GIVE A CLOSE LOOK AT THE SUBSTANTIAL WORK THAT HAS
15 BEEN DONE BY THE L.A. OPTIONS TASKFORCE. AND RATHER THAN
16 BELABOR THE POINT NOW, MR. CHAIRMAN AND COLLEAGUES, I'D ASK
17 THAT WE ALLOW DR. WOODY MYERS AND DR. HECTOR FLORES TO COME
18 FORWARD.

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20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THEY HAVE SIGNED UP, DR. FLORES AND DR.
21 MYERS AS WELL AS DR. CLAVREUL, THE THREE OF YOU WOULD COME
22 FORWARD, PLEASE.

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24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THESE TWO HEALTHCARE EXPERTS ARE THE CHAIR
25 AND CO-CHAIR, RESPECTIVELY, OF THE WORK. THEY'RE WELL ABLE TO



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1 SPEAK ON BEHALF OF THIS PRODUCT. AND FROM THAT POINT, MR.
2 CHAIR, WE CAN APPROPRIATELY DISPOSE OF THE ITEM. DR. MYERS?
3 WHY DON'T YOU LOWER THAT MIC?

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5 **DR. WOODROW MYERS:** I'M DR. WOODROW MYERS, AND I HAD THE
6 PRIVILEGE OF CHAIRING THE HEALTHCARE OPTIONS TASKFORCE, WHERE
7 A GROUP OF CIVIC LEADERS, INCLUDING DR. FLORES, DR. DUPLESSIS
8 FROM U.C.L.A., DEAN TIPPS FROM THE S.E.I.U, JIM LOTT FROM THE
9 HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION, GARY TOBIN, PRESIDENT OF THE LOS ANGELES
10 CHAMBER, DR. CHU, PRESIDENT OF THE KAISER PERMANENTE OF
11 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, MARY ODELL, PRESIDENT OF THE UNIHEALTH
12 FOUNDATION, LARK GALLOWAY-GILLIAM, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE
13 COMMUNITY HEALTH COUNCILS AND TOM PRISELAC, C.E.O. OF CEDARS-
14 SINAI, ALL PARTICIPATED AND LOOKED AT VARIOUS OPTIONS FOR HOW
15 WE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY CAN IMPROVE OUR DELIVERY OF
16 HEALTHCARE SERVICES. HE WORKED UNDER THE PREMISE THAT WE WERE
17 LOOKING FORWARDS, AND NOT BACKWARDS. WE ALSO HAD THE PRIVILEGE
18 OF WORKING WITH THE STAFFS OF EACH OF THE SUPERVISORS THAT ARE
19 HERE TODAY. WE LOOKED AT OTHER SYSTEMS NATIONWIDE AND WE HAD
20 THE ASSISTANCE OF PRICE WATERHOUSE COOPERS, WHERE WE CATALOGED
21 WHAT WAS GOING ON IN SIX LARGE COMPARABLE SYSTEMS ACROSS THE
22 NATION. AND WE TRAVELED AS A TASKFORCE TO NEW YORK AND TO
23 MIAMI, ACCOMPANIED BY AT LEAST THREE OF THE OFFICES THAT ARE
24 REPRESENTED ON THE DAIS TODAY. WE ALSO HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO
25 PRESENT OUR FINAL DRAFT REPORT ALONG WITH THE PRICE WATERHOUSE



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1 COMPANION REPORT TO EACH OF YOUR STAFFS OVER THE LAST SEVERAL
2 WEEKS. WE BELIEVE THAT WE HAVE CREATED AN OUTLINE FOR MOVING
3 FORWARD IN AN EXPEDITIOUS WAY. WE HAVE A NUMBER OF PROPOSALS,
4 OR RECOMMENDATIONS WITHIN OUR DOCUMENT. THEY ARE WITHIN THE
5 AREAS OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, QUALITY OF CARE. WE MAKE
6 RECOMMENDATIONS WITH RESPECT TO FINANCE. AND WE ALSO MAKE
7 RECOMMENDATIONS WITH RESPECT TO GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT. FAR
8 TOO MANY FOR US TO DETAIL FOR YOU TODAY. BUT WE'RE VERY
9 HOPEFUL THAT THE SUPERVISORS AND YOUR TEAMS WILL TAKE A VERY
10 CAREFUL LOOK AT OUR REPORT, AT OUR RECOMMENDATIONS, AND ALLOW
11 US TO CONTINUE TO WORK WITH YOUR STAFFS IN MOVING FORWARD.
12 BECAUSE THE SPECIFICITY OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS IS SUCH THAT
13 WE'RE ASKING THAT ACTION IS TAKEN OVER THE NEXT 60 DAYS.
14 DOCTOR FLORES WOULD LIKE TO ADD BRIEFLY.

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16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. DR. FLORES?

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18 **DR. HECTOR FLORES:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. CHAIR AND MEMBERS
19 OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. AS VICE CHAIR OF THIS TASKFORCE,
20 I WANTED TO TAKE A COUPLE MINUTES TO GIVE YOU SOME BACKGROUND
21 ON OUR WORK AND WHY WE BELIEVE THAT IT WOULD PROVE TO BE
22 HELPFUL TO YOU AS YOU DELIBERATE ON THE DIFFICULT ISSUES OF
23 PLANNING FOR BUDGET AND STRATEGIC PLANNING FOR THE DEPARTMENT.
24 AS A GROUP, WE RECOGNIZE THAT THERE WERE VALUABLE EFFORTS OF
25 PREVIOUS COMMISSIONS AND BLUE RIBBON TASKS FORCES THAT LOOKED



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1 AND STUDIED AND SUGGESTED MODELS OF IMPROVEMENT OF THE PUBLIC
2 SAFETY NET. AND THE PUBLIC SAFETY NET, AS WE DESCRIBE IT,
3 INCLUDES THE L.A. COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES,
4 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH.
5 AND WE LEARNED A LOT FROM THEM AND DID NOT ENDEAVOR TO SIMPLY
6 DUPLICATE THEIR EFFORTS, BUT RATHER WE FOCUSED ON TAKING THE
7 VALUABLE INFORMATION THAT THEY PROVIDED US AND TAKE IT TO ITS
8 LOGICAL CONCLUSION, TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS AS TO THEIR
9 APPLICABILITY IN TODAY'S ENVIRONMENT. AND OUR WORK WAS REALLY
10 ENHANCED CONSIDERABLY BY THE SUPPORT AND ADVICE FROM THE U.C.
11 PRESIDENT'S OFFICE, PARTICULARLY DR. CATHERINE MASON, AND THE
12 L.A. COUNTY C.E.O.'S OFFICE, MR. FUJIOKA AND HIS DEPUTY
13 C.E.O., MS. SHEILA SHIMA. THEY REALLY BENEFITED US IN OUR
14 THINKING AND HELPED US IN GUIDING OUR DISCUSSIONS. SECONDLY,
15 IN ADDITION TO LOOKING AT PREVIOUS WORK, WE WANTED TO PROVIDE
16 A REPORT THAT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO THE SAFETY NET REDESIGN,
17 PARTICULARLY AS IT RELATES TO THE ECONOMIC PRESSURES THAT
18 YOU'RE ALL EXPERIENCING, WHICH ARE CONSIDERABLE, AND WE
19 UNDERSTAND THAT. BUT ALSO IN LOOKING AT THE OPPORTUNITIES
20 PRESENTED BY THE MEDI-CAL WAIVER, THE PRESIDENT'S ECONOMIC
21 STIMULUS AND THE PRESIDENT'S PLANS FOR HEALTHCARE REFORM THAT
22 WE THINK ARE ALL TREMENDOUS OPPORTUNITIES THAT WE SHOULD ALL
23 WORK TOGETHER ON. THIRDLY, WE STUDIED SYSTEMS THROUGHOUT THE
24 UNITED STATES AND LOOKED AT SOME BEST PRACTICES AND LEARNED
25 HOW THEY WENT ABOUT DESIGNING THE SYSTEM THAT THEY HAVE, IN



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1 PARTICULAR WE VISITED NEW YORK CITY HEALTH AND HOSPITALS
2 CORPORATION AS WELL AS THE JACKSON HEALTH SYSTEM IN MIAMI. AND
3 WE REALLY APPRECIATED THAT THREE OF YOUR DISTRICTS, DISTRICT 3
4 AND DISTRICT 4 AND DISTRICT 2 WERE REPRESENTED IN THOSE SITE
5 VISITS BECAUSE THEIR INSIGHT WAS VERY HELPFUL. LASTLY, WE KNEW
6 THAT OUR TASKFORCE DID NOT HAVE THE REPRESENTATION OF ALL THE
7 STAKEHOLDERS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, INDEED IN CALIFORNIA. SO
8 WE STRONGLY RECOMMEND AS PART OF OUR PACKAGE OF
9 RECOMMENDATIONS THAT YOUR BOARD APPOINT A LOS ANGELES
10 HEALTHCARE PLANNING COMMISSION MODELED AFTER SUCCESSFUL
11 EFFORTS IN THE PAST, SOME THAT I HAD A CHANCE TO WORK WITH
12 PERSONALLY, THAT I THOUGHT BROUGHT ALL THE STAKEHOLDERS
13 TOGETHER AND ACTUALLY FORCED ALL OF US TO WORK COLLABORATIVELY
14 AND RATHER THAN BEATING UP ON EACH OTHER LOOKING AT THE MEDI-
15 CAL WAIVER FROM A CERTAIN PERSPECTIVE OR THE ECONOMIC STIMULUS
16 FROM OUR OWN VANTAGE POINT OR EVEN THE PRESIDENT'S HEALTHCARE
17 REFORM PLAN THAT WE ALL WORK COLLECTIVELY. BECAUSE WE ALL
18 ULTIMATELY HAVE THE SAME GOAL, WHICH IS TO SERVE THE PEOPLE OF
19 LOS ANGELES COUNTY IN A BETTER WAY. THANK YOU.

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21 **DR. WOODROW MYERS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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23 **DR. HECTOR FLORES:** BE HAPPY TO ANSWER QUESTIONS IF THERE ARE
24 ANY.



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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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3 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. CHAIR.

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** DR. CLAVREUL, I'M SORRY.

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7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AND PERHAPS DR. MYERS AND DR. FLORES WOULD
8 REMAIN.

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10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH.

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12 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
13 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. I APPRECIATE DR. FLORES MENTIONING
14 THAT MANY STAKEHOLDERS WERE NOT INVOLVED IN THAT PROJECT, ME
15 BEING ONE OF THEM. I WOULD HAVE VERY MUCH WANTED TO BE
16 INVOLVED. AND I THINK I AM AS MUCH AN EXPERT IN HEALTHCARE
17 THAN BOTH OF YOU TOGETHER. AND I THINK IT'S VERY SAD THAT YOU
18 HAVE A LOT OF THE PEOPLE THAT WANT TO HELP WHO ARE NEVER
19 BROUGHT TO THE TABLE. AND I DON'T KNOW IF YOU GAVE A REPORT TO
20 THE SUPERVISORS TODAY IN WRITING. DID YOU GIVE A REPORT? DID
21 YOU GET A REPORT IN WRITING? DID YOU JUST GET IT TODAY? OR YOU
22 HAD IT FOR BEFORE?

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24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ON THAT NOTE, MR. CHAIRMAN --

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE GOT IT TODAY. THAT'S WHY HIS MOTION
2 IS ASKING FOR A REPORT BACK ON IT. THAT'S ALL IT IS.

3

4 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YEAH. WELL, IT WOULD BE NICE THAT WE
5 HAD BEEN INFORMED. IT WAS A REPORT. AND DEFINITELY I WOULD
6 LIKE A COPY OF THAT REPORT.

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8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ON ITS WAY.

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10 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** I THINK IT'S VERY IMPORTANT THAT
11 PEOPLE WHO ARE INVOLVED IN THE LOCALE, AND PEOPLE WHO ARE
12 GOING TO RECEIVE THE CARE ARE ALSO INVOLVED. AND I DON'T KNOW
13 THAT ANY HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN THAT PROCESS. BECAUSE I'M
14 CONSTANTLY SUDDENLY RECEIVING CALLS FOR THE PEOPLE IN OUR
15 DISTRICT. SO, ANYWAY, I WROTE ACTUALLY AN ARTICLE IN THE
16 WORKING NURSE HAVING TO DO WITH THE REOPENING OF KING-DREW.
17 AND THE COPY FOR EACH ONE OF YOU. THANK YOU.

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19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. IT'S CLEAR THAT
22 THIS IS A SUBSTANTIAL BODY OF WORK DESIGNED TO BE OF AID IN
23 OUR ONGOING DELIBERATIONS ABOUT WHAT IS CLEARLY ONE OF THE
24 HIGHEST, IF NOT THE HIGHEST PRIORITY, FOR THIS BOARD. I'VE
25 SOUGHT TO MAKE IT AS CLEAR AS POSSIBLE IN EACH INSTANCE THAT



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1 THE ISSUE OF COUNTY HEALTH SERVICES, THE SAFETY NET AND ALL
2 THAT PERTAINS TO IT IS A MATTER WITH WHICH WE CONTINUE TO
3 GRAPPLE. I'M IMPRESSED, MR. CHAIRMAN AND COLLEAGUES, WITH THE
4 CALIBER OF THOSE WHO HAVE PARTICIPATED IN THIS CONVERSATION,
5 BOTH REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE PUBLIC SECTOR AS WELL AS THE
6 PRIVATE SECTOR REPRESENTING BUSINESS, REPRESENTING LABOR,
7 REPRESENTING HEALTHCARE EXPERTS, PRACTITIONERS, ACADEMICS,
8 MANAGERS, C.E.O.S OF MAJOR SYSTEMS, H.M.O.S AS WELL AS MORE
9 TRADITIONAL DELIVERY SYSTEMS. I INTERPRET THE WORK THAT HAS
10 BEEN CALLED TO OUR ATTENTION AS CONSTRUCTIVE AND POTENTIALLY
11 USEFUL. OBVIOUSLY THOSE WHO BRING THESE OBSERVATIONS,
12 RECOMMENDATIONS, REFLECTIONS TO OUR ATTENTION IN THE CONTEXT
13 OF THIS REPORT ARE NOT NECESSARILY WORKING WITH ALL OF THE
14 INFORMATION AT OUR DISPOSAL. BUT THEY BRING POTENTIALLY FRESH
15 IDEAS TO BEAR THAT I THINK WE ARE OBLIGED TO EVALUATE. THE
16 CONSENSUS WROUGHT BY SUCH A DIVERSE GROUP OF EXPERTS, IN AND
17 OF ITSELF, IS COMPELLING. THEREFORE, THE MOTION TO HAVE THE
18 C.E.O., ALONG WITH THE APPROPRIATE DEPARTMENT HEADS, TO SCRUB
19 THIS REPORT, TAKE IT SERIOUSLY, COME BACK TO US IN AT LEAST 60
20 DAYS FOR THE PURPOSE OF YET ANOTHER DISCUSSION. AND IN BETWEEN
21 THOSE TWO POINTS IN TIME, I BELIEVE THE DISCUSSION OUGHT TO
22 TAKE OFF IN A BRISK, VIBRANT, AND CONSTRUCTIVE MANNER. AND TO
23 THE EXTENT THAT THAT IS THE CASE, I THINK WE WILL BE WELL
24 SERVED. AND ON THAT BASIS, MR. CHAIR, I SO MOVE.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. FOR DISCUSSION PURPOSES, THE
2 CHAIR WILL SECOND. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I GUESS I WOULD ASK MR. FUJIOKA. HOW WOULD
5 THIS REPORT IMPACT THE COUNTY'S ONGOING DISCUSSIONS WITH THE
6 UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA?

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8 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I'D SEE THIS AS A REVIEW AND AN EFFORT THAT'S
9 SEPARATE FROM OUR CURRENT EFFORTS RIGHT NOW TO REOPEN KING IN
10 PARTNERSHIP WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA. ON A GO-FORWARD
11 BASIS, ONCE WE GO THROUGH THE PROCESS OF ANALYZING THIS
12 REPORT, THERE MAY BE SOME ASPECTS IN HERE THAT CAN HELP US AS
13 WE AS WE ACTUALLY OPEN THE FACILITY AND WITH THAT START
14 PROVIDING PATIENT CARE TO THE FACILITY. BUT WHAT I WOULDN'T
15 WANT IS BECAUSE WE'VE MADE SIGNIFICANT PROGRESS, WE HAVE
16 SIGNIFICANT MOMENTUM GOING RIGHT NOW TOWARDS THE EFFORT AND
17 WORKING IN CONCERT WITH THE U.C. SYSTEM, I WOULDN'T WANT THIS
18 TO DELAY IT. BUT AS WE OPENED IT, MY WHOLE FOCUS, I'VE BEEN
19 VERY CANDID ABOUT THIS. WE CAN'T IMPROVE THE DELIVERY SYSTEM
20 UNTIL WE ACHIEVE THAT FIRST STEP. AND THAT FIRST STEP IS
21 REOPENING THE HOSPITAL. WE CAN IMPROVE IT FOR THE PRIVATE
22 CLINICS THAT WE HAVE IN THE SYSTEM. WE CAN IMPROVE OUR
23 RELATIONSHIPS WITH OUR M.A.C.C. IN THE PRIVATE CLINICS AND THE
24 OTHER HOSPITALS. BUT FIRST AND FOREMOST, OUR FOCUS NOW IS ON
25 OPENING UP KING HOSPITAL. AND THAT'S MY GOAL.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HOW WOULD YOU CHOOSE THE MEMBERS'
3 QUALIFICATIONS, WOULD THE MEMBERS HAVE TO HAVE?

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5 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** ON THIS COMMISSION OR THE BOARD -- WELL, I
6 WOULD LIKE TIME TO LOOK AT THIS --

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE CAN BE PREMATURE, I THINK.

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10 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** ON THAT NOTE, I WOULD LIKE TIME TO LOOK AT
11 THIS AND REPORT BACK. WE CAN LOOK AT THE OPTIONS. I HAVEN'T
12 HAD THE OPPORTUNITY, I'VE BEEN A LITTLE BIT BUSY TO READ THIS
13 REPORT IN DETAIL. AND I DO PLAN TO DO THAT. OUR STAFF HAS READ
14 IT. WE'VE IDENTIFIED -- THEY'VE GIVEN ME THEIR PRELIMINARY
15 ANALYSIS. BUT WE STILL NEED THAT TIME TO GET INTO IT IN
16 DETAIL.

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HOW WOULD IT DIFFER FROM OTHER COMMISSIONS?

19

20 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I COULDN'T COMMENT RIGHT NOW. BUT I WILL. I
21 WILL FOCUS ON THOSE ISSUES FOR YOU.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S BEEN MOVED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
2 THOMAS. THE CHAIR WILL SECOND IT. ANY OTHER QUESTIONS OR
3 COMMENTS? IF NOT, SO ORDERED. THANK YOU BOTH.

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5 **DR. HECTOR FLORES:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

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9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

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11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIR, WOULD YOU LIKE FOR ME TO
12 CONTINUE WITH THE MATTERS?

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14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU'RE UP. ADJOURNMENTS, ITEMS, WHATEVER
15 YOU PREFER.

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17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** LET ME PROCEED TO ANOTHER ITEM OF
18 CONSEQUENCE. I'D LIKE TO READ IN THIS MOTION REGARDING
19 D.C.F.S. [APPLAUSE.]

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21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR.

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23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THAT WASN'T ME APPLAUDING.

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YES, BUT THAT APPLAUSE WAS FOR YOU, MR.
2 CHAIR, FOR SOME PECULIAR REASON. IN THE PAST SEVERAL WEEKS,
3 WE'VE HAD SIGNIFICANT DISCUSSIONS PERTAINING TO VERY SERIOUS
4 MATTERS, SPECIFICALLY THOSE THAT HAVE COME TO THE ATTENTION OF
5 THE BOARD BY WAY OF APPROPRIATELY COMMUNICATED DOCUMENTS TO
6 OUR RESPECTIVE OFFICES. BUT IT IS NOW UPON US TO TAKE THE
7 MATTER OF HOW WE DEAL WITH THE ONGOING ISSUE OF DEATHS OF
8 CHILDREN TO YET ANOTHER LEVEL. AND IN ORDER FOR THE BOARD TO
9 CRAFT A SOUND AND EFFECTIVE POLICY, DATA AND INFORMATION MUST
10 BE COLLECTED, ORGANIZED AND ANALYZED IN ORDER TO MAKE AN
11 INFORMED DECISION. AND THAT'S CERTAINLY WHAT I KNOW ALL OF US
12 WISH TO DO. THE COLLECTION OF DATA WILL ALSO ALLOW FOR THE
13 ESTABLISHMENT OF BASELINES, WHICH WILL AID IN THE DEVELOPMENT
14 OF MEASUREMENTS, FOR PERFORMANCE AND SUCCESS, WHICH I THINK WE
15 ALL AGREE, MR. CHAIR, IS ESSENTIAL IF WE ARE TO HOLD OURSELVES
16 AND ALL COUNTY EMPLOYEES ACCOUNTABLE TO THE CHILDREN UNDER OUR
17 CARE. THIS DATA AND INFORMATION SHOULD BE SHARED, WHEN
18 APPROPRIATE, AND WITH RESPECT FOR CONFIDENTIALITY, SENSITIVE
19 PROTECTED INFORMATION, THE PARAMOUNT CONCERN FOR THE
20 PROTECTION OF THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF CHILDREN IN OUR CARE.
21 IT IS OUR UNDERSTANDING THAT A REPORT FROM THE C.E.O. ON THE
22 SUBJECT IS FORTHCOMING. AND THIS REPORT AND ITS
23 RECOMMENDATIONS, ALONG WITH THE ANTICIPATED HIRING OF THE LEAD
24 ATTORNEY IN THE CHILDREN'S SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS UNIT WILL BE
25 A LARGE STEP FORWARD IN PROTECTING THOSE UNDER OUR CARE.



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1 HOWEVER, MAY I SAY THAT ADDITIONAL STEPS CAN BE TAKEN WHICH
2 WILL MAKE US BETTER EQUIPPED TO SERVE AND PROTECT THESE
3 CHILDREN. I THEREFORE MOVE THAT WE DIRECT THE C.E.O. IN
4 CONJUNCTION WITH THE DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES
5 AND THE CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER TO REPORT BACK WITHIN 30 DAYS
6 ON THE FOLLOWING ISSUES: 1) TRAINING AND EDUCATION
7 REQUIREMENTS FOR D.C.F.S. CASEWORKERS AND ALL OTHER D.C.F.S.
8 EMPLOYEES WHO COME IN CONTACT WITH AT-RISK CHILDREN, THEIR
9 FAMILIES OR CARETAKERS, TO INCLUDE A REVIEW OF IN-SERVICE AND
10 CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS, AS WELL AS AN ANALYSIS OF
11 WHETHER THESE REQUIREMENTS ARE ADEQUATE, WHETHER THEY ADDRESS
12 THE ISSUES THAT RECUR IN CHILD DEATH CASES, AND A COMPARISON
13 OF D.C.F.S.'S STANDARDS WITH BEST PRACTICES FROM OTHER
14 JURISDICTIONS. THE SECOND POINT WOULD BE TO REVIEW THE
15 AVAILABILITY AND QUALITY OF SERVICES PROVIDED IN FAMILIES IN
16 WHICH A CHILD HAS BEEN ABUSED OR NEGLECTED, SUCH AS DRUG AND
17 ALCOHOL TREATMENT, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PREVENTION, ANGER
18 MANAGEMENT, MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, PARENTING CLASSES,
19 ETCETERA, TO INCLUDE A REVIEW OF LINGUISTIC AVAILABILITY AND
20 CULTURAL APPROPRIATENESS OF THESE SERVICES AS WELL AS THE
21 MECHANISM FOR THESE REFERRALS IN TERMS OF HOW THEY ARE MADE
22 AND THE METHODS BY WHICH THE D.C.F.S. ASSESSES WHETHER THE
23 SERVICES HAVE BEEN EFFECTIVE AND THE RISK OF FUTURE CHILD
24 ABUSE OR NEGLECT HAS BEEN REDUCED. IT GOES ON TO TALK ABOUT
25 THE DEMOGRAPHIC ISSUES THAT ARE RELEVANT AND ARE COMPELLING.



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1 AND, FINALLY, TO DEAL WITH QUALITY ASSURANCE IMPROVEMENT
2 SECTION AND RISK MANAGEMENT DIVISION AND THE SPECIFIC AREAS OF
3 IMPROVEMENT THAT CAN BE WROUGHT THERE. MR. CHAIRMAN, FINALLY,
4 THE REPORT SHOULD ALSO INCLUDE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ENHANCING
5 AND IMPROVING THE QUALITY AND AVAILABILITY OF SERVICES FOR AT
6 RISK CHILDREN AND FAMILIES. AND THE STANDARDS OF TRAINING FOR
7 D.C.F.S. CASEWORKERS, AS WELL AS ANY FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS
8 ASSOCIATED WITH SUCH ENHANCEMENTS AND IMPROVEMENTS. I THINK
9 IT'S WELL BEYOND THE POINT OF FINGER POINTING AND THE LIKE,
10 BLAMING ANY SINGLE SET OF PERSONS OR ISSUES. BUT IT'S IN THE
11 SPIRIT OF THE DESIRE OF THE BOARD AS A WHOLE TO MOVE TOWARD
12 PROBLEM SOLVING, RESOLUTION AND THE REDUCTION OF THESE
13 INSTANCES TO ESSENTIALLY CONSTRUCT A ZERO TOLERANCE POSTURE
14 AND HOPE THAT ALL OF US CAN MOVE TOGETHER WITH THAT. I READ
15 THAT IN WITH CONSIDERATION FOR IT TO BE TAKEN UP AT THE TIME
16 DEEMED APPROPRIATE, MR. CHAIRMAN.

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. IS THIS A PARTICULAR TIME? THE
19 CHAIR WILL SECOND THIS. ARE YOU ASKING FOR A REPORT BACK ON
20 THIS?

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22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** CORRECT. 30 DAYS.

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24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IN 30 DAYS?

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** CORRECT.

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3 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** A LOT OF INFORMATION TO GET BACK IN 30
4 DAYS.

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6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I'M SORRY?

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** A LOT OF INFORMATION TO GET BACK IN 30
9 DAYS.

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11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I TAKE THAT POINT SERIOUSLY, MR. CHAIR.
12 WE'RE DRIVING TOWARD A PRIORITY, SO AS TO NOT BE PUT INTO A
13 POSITION OF BEING UNDULY DEFENSIVE ABOUT THE PACE AT WHICH WE
14 ARE MOVING. IF 30 DAYS IS TOO AGGRESSIVE, MAY I STIPULATE,
15 THEN, THAT A PRELIMINARY REPORT BE BROUGHT BACK TO OUR
16 ATTENTION IN 30 DAYS AND THE BALANCE OF THE WORK NEEDING TO BE
17 DONE BE STIPULATED AT THE TIME. MR. CHAIRMAN? IS MISS PLOEHN
18 COMING?

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YES. THEY SAID THEY WERE GOING TO GET
21 HER OUT OF THE BACK THERE.

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23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YEAH. OKAY. I THINK ALL OF THE QUESTIONS AND
24 ISSUES THAT ARE RAISED IN SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS'S MOTION
25 ARE APPROPRIATE. SOME OF THEM ARE ALREADY AVAILABLE.



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I COULDN'T HEAR YOU, MR. YAROSLAVSKY.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I SAID THE ISSUES YOU RAISE IN YOUR MOTION
5 ARE APPROPRIATE. AND I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE DON'T
6 REINVENT THE WHEEL FOR YOU BECAUSE SINCE I RECEIVED AN EMAIL
7 FROM YOU AT 3:49 A.M. SUNDAY MORNING, I'M CONCERNED ABOUT YOUR
8 SLEEP. AND I'M NOT JOKING. NOW WHAT I WAS DOING UP AT 3:51
9 A.M. IS ANOTHER STORY. [LAUGHTER.]

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11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WE'RE LISTENING VERY CAREFULLY.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** DON'T BE CONCERNED ABOUT MY SLEEP. BUT YOU
14 ARE UNDER A LOT OF PRESSURE, AND I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT YOUR
15 FOCUS IS ON THE URGENT MATTERS AT HAND. NOT AT THE EXCLUSION
16 OF THIS MOTION BUT THAT I BELIEVE THERE'S A LOT OF INFORMATION
17 THAT MAY ALREADY BE AVAILABLE THAT YOU CAN PULL TOGETHER,
18 AMALGAMATE, PLUS THE NEW STUFF THAT YOU MAY NOT HAVE AT YOUR
19 DISPOSAL, YOU'LL HAVE TO DEVELOP PURSUANT TO THIS MOTION. IT
20 MAY BE THAT IT'S DOABLE AND ON THAT BASIS IN 30 DAYS. IF NOT,
21 AS MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS HAS JUST EXPLAINED IT, YOU HAVE MORE
22 TIME. BUT I JUST DON'T WANT YOU TO START A WHOLE NEW PHD
23 THESIS HERE FROM SCRATCH IF YOU DON'T NEED TO. THAT'S ALL. AND
24 I DON'T THINK ANYBODY HERE DOES. I DO WANT TO RAISE A



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1 QUESTION, WHICH SINCE YOU'RE HERE, IS THIS THE ONLY ITEM WE'RE
2 GOING TO BE HAVING ON D.C.F.S. TODAY?

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE STILL HAVE ITEM 24.

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHICH IS WHAT?

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THE KATIE A. STUFF.

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT'S A SEPARATE ISSUE. NO, THANK YOU, I
11 APPRECIATE IT. I WAS TROUBLED BY -- I GUESS, TWO THINGS. ONE,
12 I ASKED LAST WEEK, EXCUSE ME ONE SECOND. (COUGHING). I ASKED
13 LAST WEEK, YOU INDICATED THAT WE HAD A POLICY THAT WHEN A
14 SOCIAL WORKER OR AN EMERGENCY RESPONSE WORKER GETS TO -- DOES
15 SOMETHING THAT IS VIOLATIVE OF POLICY, THAT THEY ARE TAKEN OFF
16 THE CASE AND PUT ON DESK DUTY, I THINK IS WHAT YOU CALLED IT.

17

18 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** CORRECT.

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20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I ASKED YOU HOW MANY PEOPLE HAD BEEN PUT ON
21 DESK DUTY, AND YOU WERE CAREFUL TO INDICATE YOU WERE CHECKING
22 ON THAT AT THE TIME. AND OF THE 14 CASES, AND YOU DIDN'T HAVE
23 THAT INFORMATION AT THE TIME, LAST TUESDAY, BUT YOU HAVE SINCE
24 DETERMINED IT. OF THE 14 DEATH CASES THAT WE HAD OF CHILDREN,
25 13? ONLY ONE PERSON WHO WAS INVOLVED IN THAT CASE, IN A CASE



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1 OF ONE OF THOSE 14 CHILD DEATHS HAD BEEN PUT ON DESK DUTY. ALL
2 THE OTHERS HAD NOT BEEN PULLED UNTIL AFTER THE BOARD MEETING
3 ON LAST TUESDAY. WHICH BEGS THE QUESTION, THEN: WHAT IS THE
4 POLICY? IS IT BEING ADHERED TO? MY STAFF MET WITH A DELEGATION
5 OF SOCIAL WORKERS YESTERDAY. I APPRECIATED -- I WISH I COULD
6 HAVE BEEN THERE. I COULDN'T. BUT I GOT A FULL REPORT ON IT.
7 THEY HAVE INDICATED, THE SOCIAL WORKERS WHO CAME IN, THAT
8 THEIR PERCEPTION -- AND I EMPHASIZE PERCEPTION -- IS THAT THE
9 POLICY -- THAT THEY DON'T KNOW WHAT THE POLICY IS, THAT IT'S
10 UNEVENLY -- SOME GUY GOT PULLED OFF, PUT ON DESK DUTY LAST
11 WEEK, THEY SAID, ON A CASE THAT IS FOUR OR FIVE YEARS OLD.
12 [APPLAUSE.]

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14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO, NO. PLEASE NO APPLAUSE. THAT'S WHY I'VE
15 ASKED YOU NOW FOR THE STATISTICS ON 2007, 2006. BECAUSE MY
16 POINT LAST WEEK WHEN I MADE THE COMMENT THAT THE ONLY
17 DIFFERENCE BETWEEN 2008 ON THE ONE HAND AND 2006 AND '07 ON
18 THE OTHER HAND IS THAT 2008 WAS ON THE FRONT PAGE OF THE
19 PAPER. I COULDN'T HAVE BEEN MORE RIGHT ABOUT THAT. BECAUSE IT
20 WAS BECAUSE OF THAT AND THE FACT THAT NOT EVEN UNTIL AFTER THE
21 BOARD MET ON TUESDAY THAT ACTION STARTED TO BE TAKEN TO
22 IMPLEMENT THE POLICY. AND I'M CONCERNED THAT IN 2007 AND 2006
23 AND 2005, HOWEVER LONG THIS POLICY HAS BEEN ON THE BOOKS, THAT
24 YOU TAKE PEOPLE OFF THEIR CASELOAD WHEN THERE'S AN
25 INVESTIGATION AND PUT THEM ON DESK DUTY, I WONDER HOW MANY



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1 WERE PULLED OFF IN THE PRIOR YEARS? MY BET IS IF 2008 IS ANY
2 INDICATOR, MY BET IS THAT THERE'S PROBABLY A SIMILAR
3 DISCREPANCY BETWEEN POLICY AND IMPLEMENTATION OF POLICY. I
4 HOPE I'M WRONG. I KNOW YOU'RE TRYING TO GET ON TOP OF THAT.
5 BUT IT DOES NOT INSPIRE -- IT INSPIRES CONFUSION IS WHAT IT
6 DOES. BECAUSE THEY DON'T KNOW WHAT THE POLICY IS. I'M NOT SURE
7 I KNOW WHAT -- I KNOW WHAT THE POLICY IS. I DON'T KNOW HOW
8 IT'S IMPLEMENTED. AND IF WE ARE NOT DOING WHAT THE -- THE
9 REASON FOR THE POLICY IS TO TRY TO CREATE SOME LEVEL OF
10 PROTECTION FOR KIDS GOING FORWARD, PROTECTION FROM THOSE
11 INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE UNDER INVESTIGATION. THEY MAY NOT BE
12 GUILTY OF ANY WRONGDOING, PROFESSIONAL WRONGDOING, BUT IN THE
13 MEANTIME THEY'RE SET ASIDE. THAT'S ONE THING. AND THE SECOND
14 THING IS TO CREATE WITHIN THE SYSTEM AN EXPECTATION OF
15 ACCOUNTABILITY, THAT WHEN SOMETHING GOES WRONG, WE GET TO THE
16 BOTTOM OF IT. AND IF THERE'S SOMEBODY RESPONSIBLE FOR IT, THAT
17 PERSON PAYS A PRICE. NOT BECAUSE WE'RE PUNITIVE BUT BECAUSE
18 WE'RE TRYING TO PROTECT THE KIDS. THAT'S THE WHOLE THING. SO I
19 AM CONCERNED THAT THERE'S A BREAKDOWN HERE. AND I'M JUST
20 TALKING ABOUT THIS ONE AREA. THERE ARE OTHER AREAS OF INQUIRY
21 THAT I'VE MADE TO YOU AND I ARTICULATED THEM LAST WEEK, I
22 WON'T REPEAT, THAT CONCERNS ME AS TO WHAT KIND OF A MESSAGE
23 WE'RE SENDING THROUGH OUR ORGANIZATION. AND BEFORE WE START
24 GETTING, GOING HAYWIRE ON COMPUTER SYSTEMS AND CHANGING THIS
25 AND THAT AND GETTING LEGISLATION, ALL OF WHICH MAY BE



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1 IMPORTANT, THE MOST OBVIOUS THING MAY BE THAT WE HAVE A POLICY
2 THAT ISN'T BEING IMPLEMENTED. AND THAT MAY HAVE CONTRIBUTED IN
3 13 OF THE 14 DEATH CASES, THE POLICY WAS NOT IMPLEMENTED IN
4 THE AFTERMATH OF THOSE CASES. AND THEN WHEN IT IS IMPLEMENTED,
5 BECAUSE IT WAS IN THE PAPER AND BECAUSE THE BOARD CAME
6 UNGLUED, THEN THEY HAVE, THE SOCIAL WORKER, HAS A LEGITIMATE
7 GRIPE FROM THEIR PERCEPTION BECAUSE THEY DON'T KNOW WHAT ALL
8 HAS GONE ON, AND THEY SAY "WAIT A MINUTE, THIS WAS FIVE YEARS
9 AGO. WHY ARE YOU NAILING ME NOW?" AND I HAVE TO ASK THE SAME
10 QUESTION. SO CONSISTENCY IS IMPORTANT IN THIS DOMAIN. AND I
11 REALLY WANT TO GET THAT ACROSS. AND I DO WANT TO GO BACK AND
12 SEE -- MY BET IS WE HAVE NOT ADHERED, PROBABLY BEFORE YOUR
13 TIME, TO THIS POLICY. I THINK THIS POLICY GOES BACK TO '03 OR
14 '02.

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16 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** 1998.

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** 1998. MY BET IS WE HAVEN'T IMPLEMENTED THIS
19 POLICY IN A CONSISTENT MANNER PROBABLY FROM THE TIME IT WAS
20 IMPLEMENTED. AND IF THAT'S THE CASE, AND IT HAS NOW COME TO
21 YOUR ATTENTION, HAS IT DID LAST WEEK, SOMETHING'S GOT --

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IN ALL FAIRNESS, SHE'S DONE --

24

25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I KNOW.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SHE RESPONDED TO WHAT WE ASKED FOR LAST
3 WEEK AND CLARIFIED WHAT THE PROCEDURES AND THE TRAINING IS
4 GOING TO BE IN THE FUTURE.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** RIGHT. BUT SHE ALSO SAID LAST WEEK THAT THE
7 POLICY WAS THAT WHEN SOMEBODY WAS INVOLVED IN A CASE LIKE THE
8 ONES WE'VE BEEN THROUGH --

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SHE CLARIFIED THAT SHE MADE A MISTAKE IN
11 HER REPORT.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO QUESTION ABOUT IT. WHAT I JUST WANT TO
14 REITERATE IS THAT WHERE ARE WE GOING FROM HERE? TO POSE THE
15 QUESTION: WHERE ARE WE GOING FROM HERE?

16

17 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** MR. CHAIR, YOU'RE COMPLETELY RIGHT. THE 1998
18 POLICY BASICALLY WHEN WE LOOKED AT IT, IT WAS SO BROAD THAT IT
19 COULD BE INTERPRETED IN A NUMBER OF WAYS. AND I THINK IT HAS
20 BEEN INTERPRETED IN A NUMBER OF WAYS SINCE ITS INCEPTION IN
21 1998. WE HAVE CHANGED THE PROCESS BY WHICH WE REVIEW EMPLOYEES
22 WHEN A CHILD DEATH OCCURS AND WE ELIMINATED ONE OF THOSE STEPS
23 ABOUT A YEAR AGO. THAT STEP CONTAINED THE PROCESS BY WHICH WE
24 WERE MAKING A DETERMINATION WHETHER OR NOT A WORKER WAS PULLED
25 OFF OF THEIR FILE OR NOT. AND SO PEOPLE STARTED INTERPRETING



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1 THE POLICY THAT AT ANY POINT IN TIME DURING THE I.A. PROCESS,
2 AN INDIVIDUAL COULD BE PULLED OFF.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I.A. MEANING?

5

6 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** I'M SORRY. INTERNAL AFFAIRS. AND SO MOST OF
7 THE INTERPRETATIONS, EXCEPT FOR THE ONE CASE WHERE THERE WERE
8 TWO WORKERS PULLED OFF, HAD DECIDED THEY WANTED TO WAIT FOR
9 THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS INVESTIGATION TO BE COMPLETE. WHEN I
10 DETERMINED THAT THAT'S WHAT HAD OCCURRED, LAST TUESDAY ALL OF
11 THE REST OF THE INDIVIDUALS THAT WERE RELATED TO 10 OF THOSE
12 CASES WERE TAKEN OFF OF THEIR DESK -- OR TAKEN OFF OF THEIR
13 FILES AND PUT ON A DESK, AS WELL AS THEIR SUPERVISORS. WHAT
14 WE'RE DOING AS FAR AS WHERE WE'RE GOING FROM HERE FORWARD IS
15 WE ARE REVITALIZING THAT ENTIRE POLICY. WE HAVE REINSTITUTED,
16 AS OF LAST FRIDAY, A NEW PROCESS. IT'S CALLED AN
17 ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW WHERE DURING THAT PROCESS -- AND IT WILL
18 OCCUR WITHIN THE FIRST TWO WEEKS AFTER WE ARE INFORMED THAT A
19 DEATH HAS OCCURRED AND THAT IT IS CONNECTED WITH AN INDIVIDUAL
20 WITH OUR DEPARTMENT -- THEN WE WILL DO A PROCESS OF REVIEWING
21 AND DETERMINING AT THAT POINT IN TIME WHETHER ANYONE INDEED
22 NEEDS TO BE TAKEN OFF OF THEIR FILE.

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24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND HOW LONG DOES THAT REVIEW TAKE TO BE
25 COMPLETED? THAT REVIEW?



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2 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** PROBABLY A COUPLE OF HOURS. IT WILL BE A
3 REVIEW OF WHAT THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF THAT CASE ARE.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO IT'S AN IMMEDIATE THING.

6

7 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** YES. AND IT WILL OCCUR WITHIN THE FIRST TWO
8 WEEKS AFTER WE ARE NOTIFIED. WE HAVE TO SOMETIMES PULL PEOPLE
9 TOGETHER, ASK QUESTIONS IN ORDER TO GATHER INFORMATION.
10 BECAUSE I DON'T WANT TO PULL A STAFF PERSON OFF OF THEIR FILE
11 UNLESS THERE IS A CONCERN THAT LEAVING THEM ON THAT FILE COULD
12 INDEED ENDANGER A CHILD POSSIBLY.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT'S THE PURPOSE OF THE POLICY.

15

16 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** YES. AND THEN THE OTHER COMPONENT THAT WE
17 HAVE IMPLEMENTED, IF IT IS A MINOR INFRACTION, WHAT I'M ASKING
18 THE OFFICE HEADS TO DO IS TO DO A RANDOM SAMPLE STUDY OF THAT
19 INDIVIDUAL'S CURRENT CASELOAD. SO IF THEIR CURRENT CASELOAD
20 APPEARS NOT TO HAVE THESE ISSUES AND IT'S A MINOR INFRACTION,
21 THEN I WON'T BE PULLING THEM OFF OF THEIR CASELOAD PENDING THE
22 I.A. PROCESS.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO YOU'RE REDUCING THIS NEW POLICY, OR THIS
2 POLICY, AMENDED POLICY, IN WRITING? YOU'RE REDUCING IT TO
3 WRITING?

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5 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** CORRECT.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND YOU'RE GOING TO LET YOUR SUBORDINATES
8 KNOW, EVERYBODY IS GOING TO KNOW WHAT THE POLICY IS. WHO IS
9 GOING TO BE IN CHARGE OF IMPLEMENTING THIS POLICY IN YOUR
10 SHOP, IN YOUR DEPARTMENT?

11

12 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** IT'S UNDER OUR CHIEF DEPUTY BECAUSE HE
13 OVERSEES ALL THE DIRECT SERVICE DEPUTY DIRECTORS. BUT IT WILL
14 BE FUNNELED DOWN. I HAD A MANAGER'S MEETING LAST THURSDAY, A
15 CONFERENCE CALL WITH ABOUT 50 OF OUR TOP MANAGERS, SO THAT
16 EVERYBODY KNOWS THAT'S THE DIRECTION WE'RE GOING. AND THEN
17 YESTERDAY WITH THE DEPUTY DIRECTORS TO PASS ON THE INFORMATION
18 ABOUT THE RANDOM SAMPLE STUDIES OF THEIR CASE FILES.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND THIS IS GOING TO GET TRANSMITTED ALL THE
21 WAY DOWN THE CHAIN OF COMMAND SO THAT WHEN A SOCIAL WORKER
22 COMES TO MY OFFICE AND MEETS WITH ME OR MY STAFF, I MEAN THE
23 GOAL WOULD BE FOR THEM TO UNDERSTAND THAT POLICY JUST AS WELL
24 AS YOU'VE JUST ARTICULATED IT HERE.

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1 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** EXACTLY. AND WE WILL, AS WITH ALL OUR
2 POLICIES, WE'LL PUT IT ON OUR WEBSITE SO THAT EVERYBODY WILL
3 HAVE ACCESS TO IT.

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5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. I APPRECIATE THE WORK YOU'RE
6 DOING TO GET ALL THIS STUFF TOGETHER. I DO THINK YOU SHOULD
7 MAKE SURE YOU GET SOME SLEEP ON SATURDAY NIGHTS. AND I
8 APPRECIATE YOUR CANDOR IN THE LAST WEEK IN COMING FORWARD WITH
9 THIS STUFF. I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT FOR US TO KNOW WHAT'S GOING
10 ON. IT'S IMPORTANT FOR YOU TO KNOW WE CARE AND THAT WE CAN
11 REINFORCE EACH OTHER ON DOING THE RIGHT THING. I KNOW YOU'RE
12 UNDER TREMENDOUS -- THIS IS VERY GUT WRENCHING AND HEART
13 WRENCHING FOR ALL OF US. BUT I THINK THE END RESULT,
14 HOPEFULLY, WILL BE BETTER OUTCOMES ACROSS THE BOARD. THANK
15 YOU, MR. CHAIR.

16

17 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. AGAIN, I RETURN
22 TO THE THRUST OF THE MOTION, WHICH IS TO OBVIOUSLY DEAL WITH
23 THE IMMEDIACY OF THE CONCERNS THAT CURRENTLY CONFRONT US. BUT
24 TO RAISE THE URGENCY OF THAT IN SUCH A WAY THAT WE ARE LOOKING
25 AT THIS BEYOND THE IMMEDIACY. THERE IS NO QUESTION ABOUT FIRST



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1 THINGS FIRST BUT I AM PERSUADED THAT THE THRUST OF THIS MOTION
2 WILL HELP US PROSPECTIVELY. AND I TRUST THAT IT IS SEEN AS
3 SUPPORTIVE OF WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE IN THE INTEREST OF A
4 HIGHER LEVEL OF ACCOUNTABILITY, AS WELL AS A MORE RATIONAL WAY
5 TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE WORKING PREVENTIVELY. THIS IS
6 FUNDAMENTALLY IMPORTANT AS IT RELATES TO SYSTEMIC CHANGE. WE
7 NEED BASELINE DATA THAT WE CURRENTLY DO NOT COMMAND. AND TO
8 THE EXTENT THAT THAT IS THE CASE, I THINK THERE'S SIGNIFICANT
9 VALUE ADDED FOR THE DEPARTMENT ITSELF, THE EMPLOYEES OF THE
10 DEPARTMENT, AS WELL AS THOSE OF US WHO ARE POLICYMAKERS IN
11 TERMS OF TRYING TO BE ACCOUNTABLE TO OUR RESPECTIVE
12 CONSTITUENCIES. AND MOST FUNDAMENTALLY, CARING FOR THOSE
13 CHILDREN AND THE FAMILIES OF WHOM THEY ARE A PART. MR. CHAIR,
14 THERE ARE PERSONS WHO WANTED TO BE HEARD BY WAY OF PUBLIC
15 COMMENT. IT SEEMS TO ME THAT IT'S APPROPRIATE, WITH YOUR
16 CONSENT, TO HEAR THEM NOW AND DISPOSE OF THE MATTER
17 ACCORDINGLY.

18
19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SOMEWHAT UNUSUAL ON A READ-IN MOTION.
20 ALL RIGHT. DAVID GREEN, TAUNYA TAYLOR, AND TONY BRAVO.

21
22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIR, I TAKE NOTE OF THE FACT THAT
23 YOU MAKE THE OBSERVATION THAT THIS IS AN EXCEPTION. AND WOULD
24 THEN APPEAL TO THOSE WHO ARE SPEAKING TO BE COGNIZANT OF THAT.
25 MY MY MY.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** BREAKING NEWS.

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4 **DAVID GREEN:** I'LL LEAVE THAT ALONE. GOOD AFTERNOON, CHAIRMAN,
5 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. MY NAME IS DAVID GREEN. I'M A CHILDREN'S
6 SOCIAL WORKER WITH THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AS WELL AS MEMBER
7 OF THE S.E.I.U. LOCAL EXECUTIVE BOARD AND MEMBER OF THE
8 STATEWIDE CHILD WELFARE COUNCIL. I FIRST WANT TO THANK
9 SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS AND THE REST OF THE BOARD FOR
10 THEIR MOTION. WE APPRECIATE IT VERY MUCH AND WE APPRECIATE THE
11 AMOUNT OF TIME AND EFFORT THAT'S GONE INTO LOOKING AT THIS
12 VITAL ISSUE. LAST WEEK, WHEN THE LOS ANGELES TIMES ARTICLE
13 CAME OUT, WHEN I READ IT FIRST THING ON MONDAY MORNING, I WAS
14 PERSONALLY, I WAS HURT, I WAS SADDENED AND I WAS FRUSTRATED.
15 AS SOCIAL WORKERS, ONE CHILD DEATH IS TOO MANY. WE ARE IN THE
16 BUSINESS OF PROVIDING QUALITY SOCIAL WORK, ACCOUNTABLE SOCIAL
17 WORK, AND WORKING WITH THE COMMUNITY TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE
18 KEEPING OUR FAMILIES AND CHILDREN SAFE. PART OF THE
19 ACCOUNTABILITY, SEVERAL YEARS AGO THERE WAS A BRAND NEW SOCIAL
20 WORKER THAT APPROACHED ME BECAUSE HE WAS HAVING TROUBLE WITH
21 HIS HOME VISITS, HIS FACE-TO-FACE CONTACTS WITH OUR FAMILIES.
22 I SAT HIM DOWN AND HAD TO EXPLAIN TO HIM THAT WE'RE NOT IN THE
23 BUSINESS OF BUILDING WIDGETS. IF HE MISSES A HOME VISIT, A
24 CONTACT, A CHILD COULD DIE OR BE NEGLECTED OR FACE ABUSE. THIS
25 JOB IS NOT FOR EVERYONE. WE DO NOT WANT TO FORGET THESE



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1 TRAGEDIES, BUT WE WANT TO LOOK CLOSELY AT THE SYSTEM THAT
2 CAUSED THEM OR CONTRIBUTED TO THEM. WE ALSO WANT TO FIND WAYS
3 TO WORK TOGETHER. AS A SOCIAL WORKER, I OFTEN FIND MYSELF IN A
4 SYSTEM THAT IS STATISTIC-DRIVEN, RATHER THAN CHILDREN-DRIVEN.
5 AND THAT'S UPSETTING TO ME AND FRUSTRATING. WE CAN'T LOSE
6 SIGHT OF WHY WE'RE HERE. AND I JUST WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE
7 SOCIAL WORKERS THAT ARE HERE TODAY TO BE PART OF THIS MEETING.
8 [APPLAUSE.] THEY'RE SOME OF THE MOST HARD WORKING PEOPLE I
9 KNOW, AND I'M VERY, VERY PROUD TO BE A COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
10 SOCIAL WORKER. YESTERDAY, WE HAD VERY PRODUCTIVE, HELPFUL
11 VISITS WITH THE DEPUTIES FOR THE ENTIRE BOARD. I WANT TO
12 COMMEND THEM, AS WELL, FOR THEIR EXPERTISE ON THIS MATTER, FOR
13 THEIR LISTENING. AND MY HOPE THAT WE CONTINUE TO WORK TOGETHER
14 TO MAKE SURE THAT OUR FAMILIES AND CHILDREN ARE CONTINUING TO
15 STAY SAFE. THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT, TAUNYA?

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19 **TAUNYA TAYLOR:** YES. MY NAME IS TAUNYA TAYLOR, I'M A
20 SUPERVISING CHILDREN'S SOCIAL WORKER. AND I TOO WANT TO JUST
21 TAKE A MOMENT AND THANK THE BOARD FOR LISTENING TO US
22 YESTERDAY. WE FELT WELL-RECEIVED, WE FELT HEARD AND WE ARE
23 GLAD WE WILL BE ABLE TO MOVE FORWARD AND DO BETTER WITH OUR
24 SERVICES. I'VE BEEN A DEDICATED SOCIAL WORKER FOR NEARLY 10
25 YEARS. I STARTED BECAUSE I WANTED TO BE A PART OF THE SOLUTION



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1 OF KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE AND STRENGTHENING FAMILIES. I'VE
2 STAYED BECAUSE DESPITE HOW EMOTIONAL THIS WORK IS, WHEN I HELP
3 A FAMILY, OR I KNOW THAT I'VE HELPED IMPROVE A CHILD'S LIFE, I
4 KNOW IT'S WORTH IT. AS A SUPERVISING CHILDREN'S SOCIAL WORKER,
5 I SUPERVISE SIX D.S.W.S. THEY HAVE AN AVERAGE CASELOAD, CASE
6 CHILD COUNT OF 25 CHILDREN PER MONTH AT ANY GIVEN TIME. THIS
7 MEANS THAT I'M RESPONSIBLE FOR ABOUT 150 CHILDREN IN ANY GIVEN
8 MONTH. THESE RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDE ASSESSING SAFETY,
9 ASSESSING RISK, COLLABORATING WITH OTHER AGENCIES, TEAMING
10 TOGETHER WITH THESE FAMILIES AND THESE AGENCIES TO ENSURE THE
11 BEST OUTCOME FOR THESE CHILDREN, WHETHER IT'S TO REMAIN IN THE
12 HOME SAFELY OR WE HAVE TO INTERVENE WITH OTHER MEASURES. I
13 TAKE THIS WORK SERIOUSLY, AND I ENCOURAGE AND SUPPORT MY
14 WORKERS TO DO THE SAME. I HAVE SEEN A LOT IN MY 10 YEARS, AND
15 WHEN A CHILD DIES, IT'S A SPECIAL SADNESS AND CHALLENGE. LAST
16 WEEK I WAS PLACED ON DESK DUTY BECAUSE A CHILD WHOSE SOCIAL
17 WORKER I SUPERVISED DIED A TRAGIC DEATH. WE CONDUCTED THE
18 INVESTIGATION AS REQUIRED AND MOVED FORWARD. THAT CHILD'S
19 TRAGIC DEATH WAS ONE OF THE DEATHS THE LOS ANGELES TIMES WROTE
20 ABOUT LAST WEEK. AS A RESULT, EVERYONE WHO HAD ANYTHING TO DO
21 WITH THAT INVESTIGATION WERE TOLD TO HAVE NO CLIENT CONTACT
22 AND MAKE NO CHILD WELFARE DECISIONS. THIS UNPRECEDENTED
23 DECISION HAS ADDED TO THE CHALLENGE OF ENSURING THAT CHILDREN
24 ARE SAFE. THINK ABOUT THE IMPACT THIS IS HAVING ON THE
25 CHILDREN AND FAMILIES WE SERVE AND THE SOCIAL WORKERS AND



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1 SUPERVISORS WHO ARE COVERING IN OUR ABSENCE. AS SOCIAL
2 WORKERS, WE HAVE A TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF RESPONSIBILITY. WE
3 KNOW THAT IF WE MAKE A MISTAKE, A CHILD COULD DIE. FOR THAT
4 REASON, I WILL NEVER DEFEND POOR SOCIAL WORK, BUT WHEN A
5 SOCIAL WORKER DOES THE BEST HE OR SHE CAN DO WITH ALL THE
6 AVAILABLE RESOURCES, THAT IS NOTHING SHORT OF HEROIC. I'M HERE
7 TODAY BECAUSE I WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT I BELIEVE IN MY WORK AND
8 THE WORK OF MY COLLEAGUES. WHAT WAS REPORTED ON IS VERY GRAVE
9 AND VERY SAD. I WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT I DO MY BEST, MY VERY
10 BEST TO KEEP EVERY CHILD SAFE, AND I STAND BY MY WORK AND THE
11 WORK OF MY COLLEAGUES. THANK YOU.

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13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] YES, SIR.

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15 **TONY BRAVO:** MY NAME IS TONY BRAVO. I'M ALSO A SUPERVISING
16 CHILDREN'S SOCIAL WORKER. I WORK OUT OF THE BELVEDERE OFFICE
17 IN THE CITY OF COMMERCE. WE'RE HERE TODAY FIRST AND FOREMOST
18 BECAUSE WE DO CARE ABOUT CHILDREN AND THE FAMILIES WE SERVE
19 AND WE ALSO CARE ABOUT OUR PROFESSION. AS DAVID GREEN POINTED
20 OUT, ONE CHILD DEATH IS ONE TOO MANY. ONE CHILD WITHOUT A SAFE
21 AND LOVING HOME IS ONE CHILD TOO MANY. AS YOU KNOW, LOS
22 ANGELES COUNTY HAS UNIQUE AND SPECIAL ISSUES. AS I SAID, I AM
23 A CHILDREN'S SOCIAL WORKER. JUST LAST WEEK, I HAD ONE OF MY
24 WORKERS CALL ME FROM A HOME CALL. HE WAS MAKING A ROUTINE HOME
25 CALL. AND HE OBSERVED A 1-1/2 YEAR OLD CHILD WHO WAS NONVERBAL



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1 TO HAVE AN INJURY ON HIS FOREHEAD. WHEN HE ASKED THE FOSTER
2 MOM WHAT HAPPENED, SHE SAID "WELL, HE FELL." AND HE SAID,
3 "WELL, DID YOU TAKE HIM TO THE DOCTOR?" AND SHE SAID "NO." SO
4 HE CALLED ME. AND BASED ON MY TRAINING AND MY EXPERIENCE, I
5 KNOW THAT WHENEVER THERE IS A CHILD WITH ANY INJURY, THAT
6 CHILD NEEDS TO BE EXAMINED BY A MEDICAL PROFESSIONAL, WHICH IS
7 WHAT WE DID. THAT CHILD WAS TAKEN TO A DOCTOR AND EXAMINED.
8 THE DOCTOR DETERMINED THAT THAT INJURY MAY BE A BURN. SO WE
9 IMMEDIATELY REMOVED THAT CHILD FROM THAT ENVIRONMENT AND
10 NOTIFIED THE CHILD PROTECTION HOT LINE BECAUSE THERE WERE
11 OTHER CHILDREN IN THAT HOME THAT ALSO MAY HAVE BEEN AT RISK.
12 SUBSEQUENTLY, TWO DAYS LATER THAT CHILD WAS RE-EXAMINED BY
13 ANOTHER DOCTOR, HIS PEDIATRICIAN. THAT DOCTOR SAID THAT THE
14 INJURY WAS NOT A BURN BUT A SCRAPE WHICH WAS CONSISTENT WITH
15 THE FOSTER MOM'S STORY. NOW, THE DILEMMA HERE IS: WHAT DO WE
16 DO WITH THIS CHILD? DO WE RETURN HIM BACK TO THIS FOSTER MOM?
17 OR DO WE NOT? AND THOSE ARE THE KIND OF DECISIONS THAT WE MAKE
18 ON A DAILY BASIS. IN THIS CASE WE DID NOT BECAUSE WE DID NOT
19 HAVE CLEAR AND CONCLUSIVE EVIDENCE BECAUSE TWO DOCTORS,
20 TRAINED DOCTORS, GAVE DIFFERENT OPINIONS. SO THESE ARE THE
21 TYPES OF DECISIONS THAT WE MAKE, AS I SAID. NOW, PARDON?
22
23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MALNUTRITION OF A CHILD, STARVING.
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1 **TONY BRAVO:** THE SAME THING. IF WE GET A CHILD AND WE OBSERVE
2 THAT THAT CHILD APPEARS TO BE FRAIL, WE MOVE THAT CHILD. WE DO
3 NOT LEAVE THAT CHILD IN HARM'S WAY. AND THAT'S POLICY. AND
4 THAT'S THE POLICIES WE LIVE BY ON A DAILY BASIS. BECAUSE WE DO
5 THE BEST WE CAN. WE KNOW OUR JOBS. WE'RE PROFESSIONALS AT
6 THIS. I'VE BEEN DOING THIS FOR 28 YEARS. SO I THINK I KNOW
7 SOMETHING ABOUT CHILD WELFARE. YOU KNOW, AND I WANT TO SAY
8 THANK YOU TO ALL THE BOARD MEMBERS, TO YOUR DEPUTIES WHO HEARD
9 US YESTERDAY. BECAUSE I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE BE HEARD.
10 WE ARE THE EXPERTS IN THIS FIELD. WE DO THIS WORK. WE ARE
11 CHARGED WITH THE RESPONSIBILITY THAT YOU'VE PUT ON US TO KEEP
12 CHILDREN SAFE. YOU KNOW, AND LAST WEEK, I WANT TO THANK YOU
13 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WHO MADE SOME GOOD COMMENTS AND
14 ASSESSMENTS ABOUT THE WORK WE DO AND ACKNOWLEDGED THE
15 DIFFICULTIES WE FACE. FOR EXAMPLE, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, YOU
16 TALKED ABOUT LOOKING CLOSELY AT OUR EXISTING RESOURCES AND RE-
17 EXAMINING OUR WORK IN ORDER TO BRING CASELOADS DOWN FOR SOCIAL
18 WORKERS. WE ARE IN FAVOR OF THIS AND HAVE SOLID SUGGESTIONS ON
19 HOW THIS MAY WORK. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, YOU WOULD LIKE TO
20 SPONSOR LEGISLATION THAT WOULD ALLOW DEPARTMENTS TO SHARE
21 INFORMATION MORE EASILY. WE'RE IN SUPPORT OF THIS, TOO,
22 BECAUSE WE SEE THE VALUE OF ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY. WE WOULD LIKE
23 TO BRING THIS DEPARTMENT UP TO THE 21ST CENTURY.
24 UNFORTUNATELY, WE DO HAVE COMPUTERS, BUT THESE THINGS ARE LIKE
25 10 YEARS OLD. WE NEED SOMETHING MORE EXPEDIENT THAN THAT. AND



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1 ANY DATABASE THAT WE DO ACQUIRE, WE WANT IT TO BE STATE-OF-
2 THE-ART, NOT SOMETHING WHERE A SOCIAL WORKER HAS TO TAKE TWO
3 OR THREE HOURS TO ACCESS INFORMATION. SO THAT'S THE KIND OF
4 TECHNOLOGY WE WOULD LIKE.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. YOU WANT TO WRAP IT UP, PLEASE?

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8 **TONY BRAVO:** YES. AND JUST WRAPPING IT UP, I WOULD JUST LIKE TO
9 SAY THANK YOU AGAIN FOR LISTENING TO US TODAY. AND JUST SAYING
10 THAT WE WOULD BE VERY INTERESTED AND MOTIVATED IN PARTNERING
11 WITH YOU TO GIVE OUR INPUT INTO MAKING ANY REFORMS NECESSARY
12 TO MOVE FORWARD AND PROTECT CHILDREN IN THIS COUNTY. THANK
13 YOU.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, THANK YOU. WE DO APPRECIATE --
16 [APPLAUSE.] HOLD UP. I APPRECIATE YOU COMING DOWN. I DON'T
17 THINK THERE'S ANY QUESTION OF ANY OF US UP HERE THAT THOSE
18 SITUATIONS, THOSE DEATHS WERE VERY, VERY TRAGIC. BUT I THINK
19 AT LEAST SPEAKING FOR MYSELF, OBVIOUSLY TO HAVE THE MEDIA
20 PERPETRATE A STORY THAT ALL OF OUR SOCIAL WORKERS ARE INEPT I
21 THINK IS ABSOLUTELY WRONG. WE DO APPRECIATE THE WORK THAT YOU
22 DO, THE DIFFICULT DECISIONS THEY DO HAVE TO MAKE. AND THERE
23 ARE SOME ACCOUNTABILITY ISSUES, BUT I THINK WE'RE WILLING TO
24 WORK WITH THAT TOGETHER. SO FOR MYSELF, JUST THANK YOU FOR ALL
25 THE GOOD WORK YOU DO ON BEHALF OF OUR CHILDREN. THANK YOU.



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2 **TONY BRAVO:** THANK YOU.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THE ITEM HAS BEEN MOVED AND
5 SECONDED. AND SO ORDERED. REPORT BACK. OKAY. IT IS 1 MINUTE TO
6 1:00. I'M GOING TO ASK DR. JONATHAN FIELDING TO JOIN US OUT
7 HERE. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, DO YOU HAVE ANY ADJOURNING
8 MOTIONS YOU CAN DO WHILE WE'RE WAITING?

9

10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** BE GLAD TO.

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12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OH, WAIT A MINUTE. WE'RE OKAY. WE'VE GOT
13 DR. FIELDING HERE.

14

15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ARE YOU READY?

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE'LL GO AHEAD WITH THIS. WE'LL DO IT
18 LATER. DR. FIELDING, I KNOW THERE'S SEVERAL ACTIONS, THAT WE,
19 AS A BOARD, NEED TO TAKE TODAY. ONE, TO FACILITATE YOUR
20 ABILITY TO RESPOND ACCORDINGLY BOTH WITH THE FEDERAL AND THE
21 STATE AGENCIES, AND WE ARE PREPARED TO DO THAT. THERE ARE SOME
22 OTHER ITEMS THAT YOU ARE LOOKING FOR ASSISTANCE ON. I WILL
23 BRING THAT MOTION IN. ONE IS THAT WE REQUEST THAT WE AUTHORIZE
24 THE C.E.O. AND DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH TO MANAGE LOCAL,
25 STATE AND FEDERAL SUPPLIES OR SERVICES AND PERSONNEL COSTS UP



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1 TO \$500,000 FOR THE SWINE INFLUENZA RESPONSE ACTIVITIES. TWO,
2 AS A PRECAUTIONARY MEASURE AND TO MAKE CLEAR THE COUNTY'S
3 RESPONSE, ADOPT A LOCAL EMERGENCY DECLARATION, AND APPOINT THE
4 PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICER AS THE LEAD OFFICIAL IN THE COUNTY'S
5 SWINE INFLUENZA RESPONSE, AND INSTRUCT OUR DEPARTMENTS TO
6 PROVIDE ASSISTANCE AS REQUIRED AND REQUIRE WEEKLY REPORTS TO
7 THIS BOARD. SO WITH THAT, I'LL MOVE IT. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY
8 SECONDS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. WE AWAIT YOUR REPORT,
9 THANK YOU.

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11 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, CHAIRMAN KNABE,
12 SUPERVISORS. THE CURRENT SITUATION OF THE SO-CALLED SWINE FLU
13 I THINK IS A CAUSE FOR CONCERN, BUT NOT FOR ALARM. GIVEN THE
14 SIZE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, GIVEN THE TRAFFIC BACK AND FORTH
15 BETWEEN HERE AND MEXICO, IT WOULD BE VERY SURPRISING IF WE
16 DIDN'T HAVE ANY CASES. IT'S IMPORTANT TO REMEMBER THAT IN AN
17 AVERAGE YEAR, WE CAN EXPECT FROM SEASONAL FLU APPROXIMATELY
18 1,000 EXCESS DEATHS ATTRIBUTABLE TO THAT. SO IT WOULD ALSO NOT
19 BE AT ALL SURPRISING IF THERE WERE DEATHS ASSOCIATED WITH THIS
20 SWINE FLU, EVEN IF IT HAD THE PATTERN OF SEASONAL FLU. THUS
21 FAR, THE PATTERN THAT WE SEE IN THE UNITED STATES IS VERY
22 SIMILAR TO THAT OF SEASONAL FLU, RELATIVELY MILD TO MODERATE
23 CASES. HOWEVER, IT'S IMPORTANT TO REALIZE THAT THIS VIRUS CAN
24 MUTATE. IT'S ONE OF THE HALLMARKS OF INFLUENZA VIRUS, THAT IT
25 MUTATES, OFTENTIMES UNPREDICTABLY. AND IT IS ALSO TRUE THAT



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1 THE PATTERN THAT HAS BEEN SEEN IN MEXICO IS NOT CONSISTENT
2 WITH THE PATTERN HERE, ALTHOUGH THE REPORTING FROM MEXICO HAS
3 BEEN SUBJECT TO CHANGE. AND I THINK WE'RE NOT ENTIRELY SURE
4 WHAT NUMBER OF CASES ACTUALLY HAVE HAD SEVERE FLU AND WHAT THE
5 TOTAL NUMBER OF CASES HAVE BEEN. BASED ON THE RECOMMENDATIONS
6 FROM THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION AND FROM THE C.D.C. AND THE
7 STATE, IT IS NOT REALISTIC TO TRY AND PREVENT THE SPREAD OF
8 INFLUENZA, WHICH IS ONE OF OUR MOST CONTAGIOUS DISEASES. YOU
9 CAN CATCH INFLUENZA FROM SOMEBODY EVEN BEFORE THAT PERSON
10 COMES DOWN WITH THE SYMPTOMS. THAT'S ONE OF THE THINGS THAT
11 DISTINGUISHES INFLUENZA. SO OUR GOAL IS TO MINIMIZE THE NUMBER
12 OF CASES AND TO THE MOST IMPORTANT WAYS THAT EVERYBODY CAN
13 CONTRIBUTE TO THAT IS BY GOOD RESPIRATORY HYGIENE. WHICH MEANS
14 WASHING YOUR HANDS VERY FREQUENTLY, COVERING YOUR COUGH,
15 COVERING YOUR SNEEZE, NOT TOUCHING YOUR EYE OR YOUR NOSE OR
16 YOUR MOUTH WITH YOUR HANDS. SOMETIMES THE VIRUS CAN GET ON
17 SURFACES AND YOU CAN THEN TRANSMIT IT. AND, FINALLY, AND
18 PERHAPS MOST IMPORTANT IN THIS SITUATION, DON'T GO TO WORK IF
19 YOU'RE SICK AND HAVE RESPIRATORY SYMPTOMS. DON'T SEND YOUR
20 CHILD TO SCHOOL OR OTHER PLACES WHERE THERE ARE A LOT OF
21 CHILDREN IF IN FACT YOU HAVE THOSE SYMPTOMS. WE HAVE SUPPLIES
22 OF TAMIFLU. WE HAVE SOME HERE. WE HAVE ASKED FOR ADDITIONAL
23 ONES. WE ARE GETTING DELIVERY I THINK TOMORROW. WE WILL HAVE A
24 TOTAL OF 675,000 COURSES OF TAMIFLU, SHOULD THAT BE NEEDED. IT
25 HAS BEEN PRIORITIZED BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND THE STATE



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1 FOR TREATMENT. AND AT THIS POINT, THERE HAS NOT BEEN A
2 SIGNIFICANT NEED FOR TREATMENT. WE HAVEN'T EVEN IDENTIFIED
3 SPECIFIC CASES. SO NOW LET ME GO INTO SLIGHTLY MORE DETAIL.
4 AND AS OF THIS MORNING, THERE WERE 64 CONFIRMED CASES OF SWINE
5 FLU IN THE UNITED STATES. THIS INCLUDES 10 CASES THAT HAVE
6 BEEN IDENTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA. IN SAN DIEGO, AND IMPERIAL AND
7 SACRAMENTO. AND ALL CASES HAVE FULLY RECOVERED. THERE HAVE
8 BEEN NO DEATHS THAT WE'RE AWARE OF FROM SWINE FLU IN THE U.S.
9 AT THIS TIME. THERE ARE ALSO NO CONFIRMED CASES IN LOS ANGELES
10 AT THIS TIME. I REPEAT, ALTHOUGH THEY HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED IN
11 NEIGHBORING COUNTIES, WE HAVE NO CONFIRMED CASES IN LOS
12 ANGELES AT THIS TIME. BUT OF COURSE AS I SAID, THEY ARE
13 EXPECTED. AND ONE OF THE REASONS WE MAY NOT HAVE FOUND THEM IS
14 SIMPLY BECAUSE IF THEY ARE MILD TO MODERATE, THEY DON'T
15 NECESSARILY COME TO ATTENTION, AND THEY DON'T GET THE KIND OF
16 TESTING THAT WOULD REVEAL THAT, AND THAT IS WHY WE HAVE
17 INCREASED OUR SURVEILLANCE. INTERNATIONALLY, THE WORLD HEALTH
18 ORGANIZATION IS REPORTING THAT CASES HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED IN A
19 NUMBER OF COUNTRIES, OF COURSE MEXICO HAS HAD THE MOST. THE
20 MOST RECENT DATA TODAY FROM MEXICO WAS THAT THERE WERE 26
21 CONFIRMED HUMAN CASES OF INFECTION, INCLUDING 7 DEATHS. THAT'S
22 A SMALLER NUMBER THAT HAS BEEN PROVIDED IN PREVIOUS TIMES.
23 THAT'S THE MOST RECENT NUMBERS THAT WE HAVE. THERE ARE ALSO
24 MEDIA REPORTS THAT INDICATE CASES HAVE BEEN CONFIRMED IN
25 EUROPE, THE MIDDLE EAST, AND THE ASIA PACIFIC REGION. HOWEVER,



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1 THESE HAVE NOT YET BEEN REPORTED BY WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION.
2 LABORATORY TESTS CONFIRM THAT THE MEXICAN STRAIN IS IDENTICAL
3 TO THE U.S. STRAIN. AND AS I SAID, IN MEXICO, IT'S NOT
4 ENTIRELY CLEAR WHAT THE NUMBER OF DEATHS ARE. THE W.H.O.
5 DIRECTOR GENERAL HAS RAISED THE LEVEL OF PANDEMIC INFLUENZA
6 ALERT FROM THE PHASE 3 TO PHASE 4. AND THAT WAS BASED
7 PRIMARILY ON THE FACT THAT THERE NOW IS REASON TO BELIEVE THE
8 VIRUS CAN CAUSE COMMUNITY-LEVEL OUTBREAKS. IT'S A NOVEL
9 STRAIN. IT IS TRANSMISSIBLE PERSON TO PERSON AND IT CAN CAUSE
10 COMMUNITY-LEVEL OUTBREAKS. THERE ARE SIX PHASES IN THE W.H.O.
11 PANDEMIC ALERT SYSTEM, WITH PHASES 1 TO 3 INDICATING A DISEASE
12 WHICH PRIMARILY AFFECTS ANIMALS, WITH ONLY A FEW HUMAN
13 INFECTIONS. PHASE 4 THAT WE'RE CURRENTLY IN INDICATES THERE'S
14 SUSTAINED HUMAN TO HUMAN TRANSMISSION. IF WE WENT TO PHASE 5,
15 THAT WOULD INDICATE WIDESPREAD HUMAN INFECTIONS AND AN
16 IMMINENT PANDEMIC, WHILE PHASE 6 IS THE OFFICIAL PANDEMIC
17 PHASE. WHAT IS SWINE FLU? SWINE FLU IS A RESPIRATORY DISEASE
18 OF PIGS THAT'S CAUSED BY TYPE A INFLUENZA VIRUS THAT CAN
19 SOMETIMES CAUSE DISEASE IN HUMANS. ALTHOUGH THE H1N1, THAT'S
20 THE TYPING OF THIS FLU THAT WE ARE SEEING NOW, MAY HAVE
21 ORIGINALLY BEEN CONTRACTED BY HUMANS FROM PIGS, IT NOW SEEMS
22 THAT THIS IS A NOVEL STRAIN WHICH CAN BE TRANSMITTED DIRECTLY
23 FROM PERSON TO PERSON. AND BECAUSE IT'S NOVEL, IT IS BELIEVED
24 THAT WE DO NOT HAVE HUMAN IMMUNITY FROM THE INFECTIONS AND THE
25 INFLUENZA IMMUNIZATIONS PEOPLE HAVE RECEIVED IN THE PAST. IT



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1 DOESN'T MEAN, HOWEVER, THAT IT WOULD NECESSARILY BE MORE
2 SEVERE. THE CONCERN IS THAT IT COULD BE. IN TERMS OF SYMPTOMS,
3 THE SYMPTOMS OF SWINE FLU ARE VERY SIMILAR TO THAT OF OUR
4 SEASONAL FLU: FEVER, LETHARGY, DRY COUGH, MUSCLE ACHES, STUFFY
5 NOSE OR RUNNY NOSE, LACK OF APPETITE. AND SOMETIMES WE SEE
6 NAUSEA AND VOMITING AND DIARRHEA. AS I MENTIONED, THE CASES TO
7 DATE HAVE BEEN RELATIVELY MILD TO MODERATE. AND WE HAVE NOT
8 YET SEEN THE PATTERN THAT WAS OBSERVED IN MEXICO. MEXICO HAS
9 CONFIRMED AT THIS POINT ONLY 7 DEATHS. THEY HAD REPORTED THERE
10 WERE UP TO 1,600 CASES OF SWINE FLU, AND THE ORIGINAL REPORT
11 WAS UP TO 149 DEATHS. BUT WE DON'T KNOW HOW MANY OF THOSE
12 DEATHS WERE ACTUALLY ATTRIBUTABLE, OTHER THAN THOSE 7, TO
13 SWINE FLU VERSUS OTHER RESPIRATORY INFECTIONS OR RESPIRATORY
14 COMPLICATIONS OF OTHER PROBLEMS. WE HAVE, AS I SAID, WE HAVE
15 NOT YET IDENTIFIED A CASE IN LOS ANGELES. BUT WE'VE INCREASED
16 OUR SURVEILLANCE ACTIVITIES IN THE PAST WEEK, AND WE BELIEVE
17 WE WILL FIND AND CONFIRM FLU CASES IN OUR COUNTY. WE CURRENTLY
18 ARE INVESTIGATING TWO POSSIBLE FLU CLUSTERS IN TWO SCHOOLS
19 LOCATED IN THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY. AND SINCE SWINE FLU CAN
20 ONLY BE CONFIRMED BY LAB TESTING, IT TAKES SEVERAL DAYS FOR A
21 CASE TO BE CONFIRMED. WE HAVE AT THIS POINT TWO PROBABLE CASES
22 AND TWO POSSIBLE CASES OF SWINE FLU. THERE ARE UNANSWERED
23 QUESTIONS. PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICIALS DON'T FULLY UNDERSTAND THE
24 CHARACTERISTICS OF THE NEW VIRUS. IT IS NOT KNOWN WHAT IS
25 CAUSING THE APPARENT DIFFERENCE IN THE VIRULENCE BETWEEN THE



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1 MEXICAN CASES AND THE NON-MEXICAN CASES. AND WE CONTINUE TO
2 LOOK AT THAT. IN TERMS OF WHAT WE'RE DOING, THE DEPARTMENT IS
3 ENGAGED IN ENHANCING OUR SURVEILLANCE ACTIVITIES, REMINDING
4 THE PUBLIC AND HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS AND OTHER KEY SECTORS,
5 INCLUDING THE PRIVATE SECTOR, TO PRACTICE RESPIRATORY HYGIENE
6 AND TO PREPARE FOR THE INVESTIGATION OF CASES IDENTIFIED IN
7 THE COUNTY. AND WE ARE PREPARING TO RECEIVE ALSO FEDERAL
8 RESOURCES. WE'VE ACTIVATED OUR DEPARTMENT OPERATIONS CENTER
9 AND HAVE ADOPTED AN INCIDENT COMMAND STRUCTURE TO PROPERLY
10 MANAGE THE DEPARTMENT'S SURVEILLANCE, COMMUNICATIONS,
11 LABORATORY AND RESPONSE CAPABILITIES. AND OVER THE PAST
12 SEVERAL DAYS, WE'VE BEEN WORKING CLOSELY WITH LONG BEACH
13 HEALTH DEPARTMENT, THE PASADENA HEALTH DEPARTMENT, EMERGENCY
14 ROOMS, PHYSICIANS, HOSPITALS AND SCHOOLS TO CAREFULLY MONITOR
15 ANY SIGN OF SWINE FLU IN THE COUNTY. WE'RE ALSO TAKING STEPS
16 TO ENSURE THERE OUR SYNDROMIC SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM IS PROPERLY
17 MONITORED AND THAT OUR PUBLIC HEALTH LABORATORY CAN MANAGE AN
18 INCREASED WORKLOAD. WE'RE PREPARING FOR CASE INVESTIGATION
19 WHEN A CASE IS SPECIFICALLY IDENTIFIED. WE ARE TAKING ACTIONS
20 TO RECEIVE AND MANAGE STRATEGIC NATIONAL STOCKPILE MATERIALS,
21 INCLUDING THE ANTIVIRALS. THE FIRST SHIPMENT WILL ARRIVE
22 TOMORROW. AND WE ARE REVIEWING PROTOCOLS FOR DISTRIBUTION AND
23 USE. BUT IT'S IMPORTANT TO REALIZE THAT THE PRIORITY SHOULD BE
24 ON TREATMENT. AND THAT, IS OF NECESSARY, WE'RE DOING THIS OF
25 COURSE TO BE PREPARED, NOT NECESSARILY SURE THAT THIS WOULD BE



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1 NECESSARY. SO WE'LL HAVE A TOTAL OF 675 COURSES OF ANTIVIRAL
2 MEDICATION, INCLUDING THE NEW DISTRIBUTION FROM THE STRATEGIC
3 NATIONAL STOCKPILE. BUT WE HAVE THE ABILITY TO CALL DOWN A
4 TOTAL OF 2.5 MILLION COURSES WITHIN A FEW DAYS' NOTICE. WE ARE
5 NOT RECOMMENDING THE DISTRIBUTION OF ANTIVIRALS AT THIS TIME.
6 AND AS I SAID, WE ARE RECOMMENDING THAT THEY ONLY BE USED FOR
7 TREATMENT. ONE OF THE REASONS TO BE VERY CAREFUL IN THE USE OF
8 THESE IS THAT IT IS GENERALLY FELT THAT IF THERE IS A
9 SUBSTANTIAL AMOUNT OF USE, IT SIGNIFICANTLY INCREASES THE RISK
10 OF RESISTANCE TO THE ANTIVIRAL MEDICATIONS TO WHICH IT NOW
11 APPEARS SUSCEPTIBLE BASED ON LIMITED TESTING. IN TERMS OF THE
12 MEDIA, WE'VE BEEN WORKING HARD TO MINIMIZE THE AMOUNT OF
13 MISINFORMATION THAT HAS BEEN CIRCULATING REGARDING SWINE FLU.
14 WE'VE HOSTED TWO PRESS CONFERENCES IN THE PAST WEEK, INCLUDING
15 A WELL-ATTENDED PRESS CONFERENCE YESTERDAY THAT WE HOSTED WITH
16 REPRESENTATIVES FROM E.M.S., FROM L.A.C.O.E., FROM L.A.U.S.D.,
17 AND FROM THE AIRPORTS. IN ADDITION, WE'VE POSTED GENERAL
18 INFORMATION AND FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT SWINE FLU ON
19 OUR WEBSITE. WE HAVE ALSO POSTED FLU PREVENTION TIPS AND LINKS
20 TO THE C.D.C. AND W.H.O. SWINE FLU INVESTIGATION WEB PAGES.
21 AND WE HAVE BEEN POSTING INFORMATIONAL VIDEOS ON OUR
22 DEPARTMENT'S YOUTUBE CHANNEL. IN TERMS MUCH HEALTH EDUCATION,
23 WE'VE BEEN WORKING WITH THE MEDIA OUTLETS AND COMMUNITY
24 PARTNERS TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC ABOUT WHAT THEY CAN DO TO AVOID
25 ALL TYPES OF FLU, INCLUDING SWINE FLU. AND I WOULD POINT OUT



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1 WE STILL HAVE INFLUENZA B CIRCULATING IN OUR COMMUNITY AND
2 RECENTLY FOUND A CLUSTER OF THAT. SO SWINE FLU IS NOT THE ONLY
3 FLU TO CIRCULATE. IT MAY BE ALMOST THE EXCLUSIVE TYPE A FLU,
4 HOWEVER. WE HAVE BEEN IN CLOSE CONTACT IN TERMS OF SPECIALIZED
5 OUTREACH WITH GOVERNMENTAL AND PARTNERS DURING THE PAST FEW
6 DAYS. WE HAVE BEEN REACHING OUT TO HEALTHCARE WORKERS AND
7 FIRST RESPONDERS TO PREPARE THEM WITH GUIDANCE ON HOW TO CARE
8 FOR POTENTIAL AND CONFIRMED SWINE FLU CASES. THAT COMPLETES MY
9 TESTIMONY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR MOTION. I'D BE HAPPY
10 TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS.

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12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** DR. FIELDING, IF I COULD JUST ASK A
13 COUPLE OF QUESTIONS. FIRST OF ALL, IN REGARDS TO POTENTIAL TO
14 JUST KEEP HYSTERIA DOWN. THERE WAS SOME BLOGGING GOING ON THIS
15 MORNING IN REGARDS TO TWO PARTICULAR CASES IN MY DISTRICT, ONE
16 AT A BELLFLOWER FACILITY AND ONE AT A NORWALK FACILITY. AND I
17 UNDERSTAND THAT THROUGH THE CORONER'S DEPARTMENT THAT THEY
18 HAVE BRIEFED YOU ON THE OUTCOMES. CAN YOU SORT OF GIVE US AN
19 EXAMPLE OF WHAT POTENTIAL THE MEDIA REALLY HAS TO BE CAREFUL
20 ON HOW THEY PORTRAY SOME OF THESE CASES. I KNOW THE ONE
21 PARTICULAR CASE WAS PNEUMONIA, IS THAT CORRECT?

22

23 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** THERE WERE TWO CASES THAT WERE
24 APPARENTLY MISREPORTED. ONE IS DEFINITELY NOT SWINE FLU. AND
25 THE OTHER ONE IS STILL BEING LOOKED AT. BUT, AGAIN, I WOULD



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1 NOT BE SURPRISED IF WE HAVE DEATHS ASSOCIATED WITH INFLUENZA.
2 AND THE SWINE FLU IS LIKE SEASONAL INFLUENZA. WE WOULD EXPECT
3 THAT WE WOULD HAVE SOME DEATHS ASSOCIATED WITH IT.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALSO, YOU MENTIONED EVERYTHING BUT A
6 VERY BIG INDUSTRY STILL HERE IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA,
7 PARTICULARLY MY DISTRICT, WITH BOTH THE PORTS. BOTH THE
8 TRAFFIC OF PORTS BUT ALSO CRUISE SHIP TERMINALS. AND HOW ARE
9 WE DEALING WITH THOSE?

10

11 **SPEAKER:** THE CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL CONTROLS TRAFFIC IN
12 THE INTERNATIONAL PARTS. THEY HAVE POSTED TRAVELERS' WARNINGS
13 THAT ESSENTIALLY QUESTION PEOPLE FOR SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS AND TO
14 REPORT TO LOCAL HEALTH AUTHORITIES.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO WE HAVE A SYSTEM SET UP?

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18 **SPEAKER:** YES.

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20 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** WE ARE WORKING WITH THE C.D.C.
21 QUARANTINE UNIT THAT'S STATIONED HERE.

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23 **SPEAKER:** AND CUSTOMS AND BORDER PATROL.

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25 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** CUSTOM AND BORDER PATROL, AS WELL.



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2 **SPEAKER:** THAT'S BOTH AT THE PORTS AS WELL AS L.A.X.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ANY OTHER QUESTIONS? OKAY.

5 ANYTHING ELSE THAT YOU'D LIKE TO ADD?

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7 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF -- WE HAVE A

8 LOT OF MATERIAL IN SPANISH. WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF

9 TRANSLATING THE HYGIENE MATERIALS INTO ABOUT NINE OR TEN

10 LANGUAGES AND MAKING SURE THEY'RE DISTRIBUTED THROUGH

11 APPROPRIATE COMMUNITY AND OTHER CHANNELS.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT ARE THE DO'S AND DON'TS THAT THE

14 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC SHOULD BE AWARE OF?

15

16 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** THERE ARE REALLY FOUR THINGS THAT ARE

17 VERY IMPORTANT FOR THE PUBLIC TO DO. ONE IS TO WASH YOUR HANDS

18 A LOT. AND HAVING A LOT OF HAND SANITIZER AROUND BECAUSE YOU

19 DON'T ALWAYS HAVE SOAP AND WATER HANDY IS A VERY GOOD IDEA.

20 SECONDLY, COVER YOUR COUGH, COVER YOUR SNEEZE. BECAUSE THAT'S

21 THE WAY INFLUENZA OFTENTIMES GETS TRANSMITTED. THIRD, DON'T

22 TOUCH YOUR EYES OR YOUR NOSE OR YOUR MOUTH WITH YOUR HANDS.

23 BECAUSE WHERE YOUR HANDS MAY HAVE BEEN WHERE SOMEBODY IN FACT

24 DID SNEEZE AND THERE COULD BE SOME VIRUS THERE AND YOU'RE

25 THEN, THROUGH THE MUCOUS MEMBRANES IS FREQUENTLY THE WAY IT



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1 COMES INTO THE HUMAN BODY. AND, FINALLY, DON'T GO TO WORK AND
2 DON'T SEND YOUR KID TO SCHOOL OR GO TO SCHOOL YOURSELF IF YOU
3 HAVE THAT KIND OF RESPIRATORY ILLNESS. BECAUSE YOU'RE GOING TO
4 SPREAD IT, WHETHER IT'S INFLUENZA OR SOMETHING ELSE. AND IF
5 YOU HAVE THAT PROBLEM -- I SHOULD MAKE ONE OTHER POINT. THERE
6 IS NO NEED FOR PEOPLE TO USE MASKS AS A GENERAL PREVENTIVE
7 MEASURE. THERE'S NO BROAD INFORMATION THAT THAT'S EFFECTIVE.
8 NOW, IF YOU HAVE SOMEBODY AT HOME WHO IS SICK AND NEEDS TO BE
9 TAKEN CARE OF TO PUT A MASK ON THEM AS A PATIENT IS A
10 DIFFERENT STORY. IN HEALTHCARE SETTINGS, THAT'S A DIFFERENT
11 STORY. BUT I THINK THAT IT REALLY DOESN'T MAKE SENSE FROM A
12 SCIENTIFIC POINT OF VIEW, FROM A PUBLIC HEALTH POINT OF VIEW
13 FOR PEOPLE TO BE WALKING AROUND WEARING MASKS.

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15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ISN'T ONE OF THE OTHER ISSUES THE FACT
16 THAT WE'RE AT THE TAIL END OF THE NORMAL FLU SEASON, AND
17 OBVIOUSLY SOME OF THE TESTING HAS NOT BEEN AS INTENSE PROBABLY
18 AS IT WOULD DURING THE HEIGHT OF THE SEASON? AND WOULDN'T IT
19 BE IMPORTANT. WHEN IN DOUBT, I THINK YOU SAID THIS THE OTHER
20 DAY, IF YOU HAVE A SYMPTOM, TO MAKE SURE THAT YOU LET YOUR
21 MEDICAL PERSONNEL, YOUR DOCTOR AND GET IT CHECKED OUT
22 IMMEDIATELY. IF YOU ARE GETTING THE WORD OUT TO THE DOCTORS
23 AND E.R.S AND EVERYONE ELSE THAT THE TESTING IS REALLY
24 IMPORTANT AT THIS PARTICULAR POINT THAT IT GOES BEYOND THE
25 OTHER STRAINS.



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DR. JONATHAN FIELDING: YOU KNOW, THAT'S A VERY GOOD POINT,
SUPERVISOR. IN GENERAL, ANYBODY WHO HAS THE SEASONAL FLU IS
GOING TO FEEL TERRIBLE. I MEAN, YOU HAVE A FEVER. YOU FEEL
VERY LETHARGIC. YOU MAY HAVE PAINS ALL OVER YOUR BODY. YOU
HAVE A DRY COUGH. YOU HAVE NO ENERGY. SO MOST PEOPLE ARE GOING
TO SAY "GEE, WHIZ I'M SICK." WELL, I WOULD RECOMMEND IN MOST
CASES THAT PEOPLE IN FACT CALL THEIR DOCTOR BEFORE COMING IN
TO SEE THEIR DOCTOR AND SEE WHAT IN FACT IF THEY THINK THAT A
VISIT IS NECESSARY. IF PEOPLE HAVE SERIOUS PROBLEMS, IF THEY
HAVE UNDERLYING CONDITIONS THAT INCREASE THE RISK OF SERIOUS
PROBLEM IF THEY HAVE A REGULAR FLU, THEN OF COURSE THEY SHOULD
SEE THEIR DOCTOR. OR IF THEY'RE HAVING REAL TROUBLE BREATHING
OR THINGS LIKE THAT. BUT OTHERWISE, I THINK IN THIS CASE
RATHER THAN TRAVELING IN AND EVEN IF YOU DON'T HAVE IT,
INCREASING YOUR RISK OF BEING EXPOSED TO SOME PEOPLE WHO
MIGHT, THAT YOU MIGHT CALL YOUR PROVIDER IN ADVANCE AND CHECK
OUT THE NEED. WE DO HAVE HERE THE FLU PREVENTION TIPS, BOTH IN
ENGLISH AND ESPANOL. AND AGAIN, WE ARE TRANSLATING THESE INTO
OTHER LANGUAGES, AS WELL.

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SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: I ALSO UNDERSTAND, FOR THOSE LISTENING
OUT THERE TODAY, THAT WE DO HAVE A MULTI-LANGUAGE RESOURCE WEB
PAGE, PH.LACOUNTY.GOV. IS THAT CORRECT?

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1 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** THAT'S CORRECT, THANK YOU. THANK YOU
2 FOR MENTIONING THAT.

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4 **SPEAKER:** ONE ADDITIONAL COMMENT REGARDING INFLUENZA,
5 SUPERVISORS, THAT IT IS TYPICALLY WHEN YOU SEE A CLINICIAN,
6 THE CLINICIANS ARE TYPICALLY NOT TESTING FOR INFLUENZA. AND WE
7 WERE AT THE TAIL END OF THE FLU SEASON. SO ONE OF THE
8 CHALLENGES HERE IS RAMPING UP OUR SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM TO
9 ENCOURAGE PROVIDERS TO DO PROPER CASE IDENTIFICATION AND TO
10 TEST FOR IT AND TO MOVE THOSE SAMPLES TO US.

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12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THAT WAS MY POINT EARLIER. I THINK
13 THAT'S A BIG ISSUE.

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15 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** NO, YOU'RE ABSOLUTELY RIGHT. USUALLY IF
16 IT'S A MILD OR MODERATE CASE, NORMALLY THEY WOULD JUST SAY
17 WELL, WE'LL TREAT IT SYMPTOMATICALLY. AND NOW WE'RE SAYING,
18 BUT WE'D LIKE YOU TO ALSO LOOK AT THIS. I WOULD ALSO MAKE ONE
19 OTHER POINT. AND THAT IS, ONCE WE FIND SOME CASES -- AND I
20 FEEL VERY CONFIDENT THAT WE ARE LIKELY TO FIND SOME -- WE'RE
21 NOT GOING TO BE AS CONCERNED ABOUT HOW MANY CASES WE FIND.
22 IT'S REALLY FOCUSED ON TRYING TO MINIMIZE THE NUMBER OF CASES
23 AND KEEPING SOME GENERAL TRACK OF OVERALL ABSENTEEISM AND
24 THINGS LIKE THIS, RATHER THAN LOOKING FOR EVERY CASE. BECAUSE
25 WE CAN USE OUR RESOURCES BETTER TO FOCUS ON THE BROAD ISSUES



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1 RATHER -- BECAUSE WE'RE NOT GOING TO BE PROVIDING TREATMENT.
2 AND MOST PEOPLE, IF THEY HAVE MILD TO MODERATE SYMPTOMS, WE'RE
3 NOT GOING TO ADD MUCH TO THAT EQUATION.

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. IF THERE'S NO OTHER
6 QUESTIONS, THE OTHER THING I JUST WANT TO MAKE CLEAR WITH THE
7 EXECUTIVE OFFICER HERE IS THE FACT THAT WHILE WE MADE THE
8 MOTION ON THE VARIOUS ASPECTS OF HIS REQUIREMENT, I ASSUME
9 THAT INCLUDES THE PROCLAMATION OF THE EMERGENCY OF OUR LOCAL
10 PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. DOES THAT HAVE
11 TO BE READ IN FULL? OR CAN WE JUST INCLUDE THAT AS A MOTION?

12

13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** COUNSEL HAS ADVISED US IF WE COULD JUST
14 READ THE LAST PORTION OF IT.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NOW THEREFORE HEREBY PROCLAIMING AN
17 ORDER BY THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS THAT A
18 LOCAL EMERGENCY EXISTS THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND SHALL
19 BE DEEMED TO CONTINUE TO EXIST UNTIL ITS TERMINATION IS
20 PROCLAIMED BY THIS BOARD. AND IT IS FURTHER ORDERED THAT THIS
21 PROCLAMATION BE FORWARDED TO THE STATE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE
22 OF EMERGENCY SERVICE ON THIS DATE. I'LL MOVE THAT. SECONDED BY
23 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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1 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** THANK YOU. I WANT TO THANK THE BOARD
2 FOR YOUR VERY STRONG SUPPORT AND POINT OUT THAT IT'S YOUR
3 SUPPORT OVER A NUMBER OF YEARS THAT HAS HELPED US BE PREPARED
4 FOR THIS, HAVING A PANDEMIC INFLUENZA PLAN, HAVING HAD A LOT
5 OF EXERCISES THAT YOU'VE SANCTIONED. AND SO WE APPRECIATE THAT
6 VERY MUCH AND IT'S PAYING OFF NOW.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU VERY
9 MUCH. ALL RIGHT. ARE YOU GOING TO PASS THAT HAND SANITIZER
10 AROUND, MARK? ALL RIGHT, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, DO YOU HAVE
11 ANY ADJOURNMENTS?

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13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** KEEP IT REAL OVER THERE, MR. CHAIR. DR.
14 FIELDING SAID WASH YOUR HANDS. I'M TAKING IT LITERALLY.
15 SUPERVISOR MOLINA HAS COME FORTH WITH A MOTION THAT I WISH TO
16 AMEND. I COMMEND HER WORK ON THE VANDALISM ENFORCEMENT TEAM.
17 THIS SHOULD BE INTERPRETED AS A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT, WHICH IS
18 TO INSTRUCT THE C.E.O., IN COORDINATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF
19 PUBLIC WORKS, COUNTY COUNSEL, THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY AND THE
20 CHAIR'S DEPARTMENT TO INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING IN THEIR
21 EVALUATION REPORT DUE IN AUGUST OF THIS YEAR. THAT WOULD BE A
22 RECOMMENDATION ON A UNIFIED TRACKING SYSTEM THAT INCLUDES AN
23 ASSESSMENT OF THE GRAFFITI TRACKER SYSTEM AND THE TRAFFIC AND
24 GRAFFITI REPORT SYSTEM WHICH CAN THEN BE ADOPTED AND
25 RECOMMENDED TO OTHER LOCAL JURISDICTIONS WITH THE GOAL OF



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1 CROSS-SHARING INFORMATION AND CREATING ONE STANDARD GRAFFITI
2 TRACKING SYSTEM COUNTY-WIDE. AND, FINALLY, IDENTIFICATION OF
3 HIGH PRIORITY UNINCORPORATED AREAS COUNTYWIDE THAT COULD MOST
4 BENEFIT FROM THE EXPANSION OF THE VANDALISM ENFORCEMENT TEAM.
5 I WOULD SO MOVE, CONSISTENT WITH THE MAKER OF THE MOTIONS
6 INTENT.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. CHAIR WOULD SECOND THAT. AND MAKE
9 SURE THAT WHAT'S NOT -- WE'RE NOT DUPLICATING THE WORK EFFORT.
10 BECAUSE SUPERVISOR MOLINA AND I HAVE DONE A MOTION A FEW
11 MONTHS BACK.

12

13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** EXACTLY.

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15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO WITH THAT, WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
16 ORDERED. THAT'S ITEM 22, AS AMENDED. EXCUSE ME IT IS NOT
17 ORDERED. MOVE TO RECONSIDERATION. WE HAVE TWO SPEAKERS.

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19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** TWO SPEAKERS.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MIGUEL GUZMAN, IS THAT CORRECT? AND
22 NADIA KAHN? THEY ARE HERE, WE WOULD ASK YOU TO COME FORWARD,
23 PLEASE. IDENTIFY YOURSELF FOR THE RECORD AND PROCEED. THANK
24 YOU. WELCOME.

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1 **NADIA KAHN:** MY NAME IS NADIA KAHN. AND I WANTED TO SPEAK ON
2 THIS MATTER BECAUSE I FEEL ESPECIALLY TODAY WITH THE
3 PRESENTATIONS THAT YOU GAVE TO THE CHILDREN WHO DID THE
4 ARTWORK AGAINST CHILD ABUSE, IT REALLY SEEMS TO ME THAT THE
5 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DOES SUPPORT THIS TYPE OF ART, ESPECIALLY
6 WHEN IT HAS A POSITIVE MEANING AND ESPECIALLY WHEN IT'S WITH
7 SOMETHING LIKE CHILD ABUSE. AND SO BECAUSE OF THAT, WITH THIS
8 ISSUE OF GRAFFITI, I HAVE SOME IDEAS THAT I WOULD LIKE TO
9 PROPOSE TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. AND ONE OF THOSE IDEAS IS
10 TO PROMOTE MORE PUBLIC MURAL PROJECTS. AND THE REASON FOR THIS
11 IS BECAUSE WHEN YOU HAVE PUBLIC MURALS, IT CAN BE SOMETHING
12 THAT THE COMMUNITY WORKS WITH THE CITY, WITH THE COUNTY TO
13 COME TOGETHER TO GET THE RESOURCES TO BE ABLE TO DO THESE
14 MURALS. BECAUSE I DO KNOW THAT THE CITY IS CONCERNED ABOUT
15 GRAFFITI AND EVERYTHING. AND SO THAT'S WHY I WANT TO BE ABLE
16 TO PROMOTE POSITIVE ART, AND MURALS IS ONE WAY TO DO THAT.
17 RIGHT NOW, ACTUALLY, A GROUP OF US, WE'RE TALKING ABOUT DOING
18 A MURAL PROJECT AT MACARTHUR PARK, SHOWING THE LOCAL WORKERS
19 THERE AND THE WAY ALSO ON MAY 1ST, 2007 HOW THE WORKERS IN
20 COMMUNITIES WERE KICKED OUT AND ATTACKED BY THE L.A.P.D. THAT
21 DAY TO SHOW A MURAL, TO HAVE A MURAL SHOWING THAT. I MEAN THIS
22 IS JUST ONE EXAMPLE. BUT I THINK REALLY WHAT IT COMES DOWN TO
23 IS HAVING THE SUPPORT OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND THE
24 SUPPORT OF THE CITY. BECAUSE I THINK WHEN IT COMES TO THESE
25 KINDS OF ART AND WHEN IT COMES TO MURALS, WE HAVE THE IDEAS.



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1 LIKE US, FOR EXAMPLE, WE'RE OPERATING RIGHT NOW WITH NO MONEY.
2 BUT I KNOW THAT THE CITY ALLOCATES MONEY TO DIFFERENT PUBLIC
3 PROJECTS. AND WE REALLY NEED THE SUPPORT OF ALL OF YOU HERE TO
4 BE ABLE TO ENGAGE IN THESE MURALS. BECAUSE, FOR EXAMPLE,
5 FIESTA BROADWAY JUST PASSED. AND THAT GOT A LOT OF SUPPORT
6 FROM THE CITY TO GET THE STREETS SHUT DOWN, TO HAVE ALL THE
7 CORPORATIONS COME AND SHARE THEIR PRODUCTS AND EVERYTHING. AND
8 I THINK IF THE CITY CAN SUPPORT SOMETHING LIKE THAT, OR THE
9 COUNTY CAN SUPPORT SOMETHING LIKE THAT, THEN I WOULD HOPE THAT
10 THE COUNTY WOULD SUPPORT SOMETHING LIKE HAVING A MURAL
11 PROJECT. AND THIS FRIDAY ON MAY 1ST, WE'RE ACTUALLY GOING TO
12 BE TALKING MORE ABOUT THAT. AND SO I WOULD LIKE TO INVITE ALL
13 OF THE REPRESENTATIVES FROM HERE, FROM THE BOARD OF
14 SUPERVISORS, INCLUDING ESPECIALLY GLORIA MOLINA, TO COME THAT
15 NIGHT TO MACARTHUR PARK. WE'LL BE THERE FROM 6 P.M. AND WE'RE
16 GOING TO BE TALKING ABOUT THIS MURAL PROJECT. BECAUSE WE THINK
17 THIS IS REALLY IMPORTANT FOR ALL OF US. SO, YEAH, THANK YOU.

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19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. YES, SIR.

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21 **MIGUEL GUZMAN:** HI, EVERYBODY. MY NAME IS MIGUEL GUZMAN. AND I
22 WOULD LIKE TO ACTUALLY SAY IT IN SPANISH. (SPEAKING IN
23 SPANISH). (INVITING PEOPLE TO MACARTHUR PARK FRIDAY, MAY 1
24 REGARDING THE MURAL PROJECT).

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1 I WOULD LIKE TO ASK ALL OF YOU FOR MAY 1ST TO THE CONSIDER OR
2 GUIDE ME IN THE DIRECTION WHERE I GOT TO GO SO WE COULD MAKE
3 THIS AN INTERNATIONAL WORKERS' DAY HERE IN, AT LEAST IN THE
4 COUNTY OF L.A. FOR RIGHT NOW. SO THE SCHOOLS COULD PARTICIPATE
5 AND THEY COULD COME IN THE SAME WAY THEY PARTICIPATE FOR CESAR
6 CHAVEZ MARCH OR ANY OTHER RALLIES. THIS WOULD BE A VERY
7 IMPORTANT DAY BECAUSE I GUESS WE HAVE LABOR DAY, BUT BECAUSE
8 OF THESE IMMIGRATION PROBLEMS AND EVERYTHING THAT IS GOING ON,
9 WE REALLY NEED THIS DAY FOR US TO BE ABLE TO LIKE COME
10 TOGETHER AND HAVE ALL THE CULTURES REALLY SHOW WHAT WE'VE GOT
11 BECAUSE RIGHT NOW WE'RE BEING MISGUIDED BY THE ORGANIZERS,
12 SUPPOSEDLY LEADERS, WE HAVE. THEY'RE NOT INVOLVING US IN
13 PLACES LIKE THIS WHERE WE COULD ACTUALLY ENGAGE IN THE CHANGE.
14 SO IF YOU GUYS HAVE SOME GUIDANCE FOR ME TO MAKE A STREET NAME
15 FOR BENITO JUAREZ THAT I HAVE ON MY SHIRT, THE FIRST
16 INDIGENOUS MEXICAN IN MEXICO, PLEASE LET ME KNOW HOW I COULD
17 DO THAT.

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19 >>SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: OKAY, THANK YOU.

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21 MIGUEL GUZMAN: COULD I LEAVE WITH THIS GLORIA MOLINA TO INVITE
22 YOU GUYS? AND I WOULD REALLY APPRECIATE IT.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THE ITEM IS BEFORE US THEN AS
2 AMENDED. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, SECONDED BY
3 SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THE ADJOURNING MOTIONS, MR. CHAIRMAN.
6 RICHARD THOMPSON, A LONGTIME SECOND DISTRICT RESIDENT, DEVOTED
7 MEMBER OF THE HOME ASSEMBLY CHURCH, RECENTLY PASSED. LEAVES TO
8 CHERISH HIS MEMORY A HOST OF FAMILY, AND FRIENDS AND MEMBERS
9 OF HIS CONGREGATION. JOHN HENRY JOSEPH DAVIS, LONGTIME
10 RESIDENT OF THE SECOND DISTRICT WHO PASSED ON APRIL 14, AT THE
11 AGE OF 69. HE ENJOYED FREELANCE PHOTOGRAPHY AND BECAME A
12 RENOWNED NATIONAL PHOTOGRAPHER, CAPTURING A NUMBER OF NOTABLE
13 CELEBRITIES. HE BECAME A PHOTOGRAPHER FOR THE LOS ANGELES
14 COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION, NATIONAL ALLIANCE OF BACK TO
15 SCHOOL EDUCATORS AND THE BROTHERHOOD CRUSADE. HE ENJOYED
16 DRIVING HIS CLASSIC 1965 CADILLAC AND SPENDING TIME WITH HIS
17 FAMILY. HE LEAVES TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY HIS MOTHER, VERONIA
18 BUFFINGTON; HIS FATHER, LEE DAVIS; HIS WIFE CHERYL; HIS SONS,
19 WINTON, AARON AND JOHN. HIS DAUGHTERS, MICHELLE AND ALEEN;
20 SISTERS, ALTHERA, DIANE, AND SHIRLEY; HIS BROTHER, WILLIE
21 DAVIS; ALONG WITH MANY, MANY MORE. MR. CHAIRMAN AND
22 COLLEAGUES, LASTLY, LEE HELEN CRUMP, LONGTIME LOS ANGELES
23 COUNTY RESIDENT WHO PASSED AWAY ON APRIL THE 19TH AT THE AGE
24 OF 80. SHE RELOCATED TO MARYLAND IN 2007 WITH HER DAUGHTER,
25 BRENDA, TO BE NEAR HER FAMILY. IN ADDITION TO SPENDING TIME



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1 WITH HER FAMILY, SHE ENJOYED POLITICS, HISTORY AND GARDENING.
2 SHE LEAVES TO CHERISH HER MEMORY HER DAUGHTER, BRENDA; AND
3 GRANDSON, RODNEY; ALONG WITH OTHER GRATEFUL FAMILY AND
4 FRIENDS. THAT CONCLUDES MY ADJOURNING MOTIONS. THANK YOU.

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. I ASK THAT WE
7 ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF VERENICE MACIAS, WHO RECENTLY PASSED
8 AWAY SUDDENLY AT THE AGE OF 44. SHE WAS THE DAUGHTER OF
9 LONGTIME AND VALUED MEMBER OF MY OFFICE, REGINA MARQUEZ, WHO
10 RAISED HER FROM AN EARLY AGE. MY ENTIRE STAFF JOINS ME IN
11 EXPRESSING OUR DEEPEST CONDOLENCES TO REGINA. ALL MEMBERS ON
12 THIS VERY TRAGIC LOSS. BERNARD SIEGEL, ONE OF MY APPOINTESE
13 AND THE TREASURER TO THE COUNTY COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES
14 PASSED AWAY. HE SERVED ON THAT COMMISSION SINCE 2000. HE'LL BE
15 MUCH MISSED BY ALL THOSE WHO HAD THE PLEASURE OF WORKING WITH
16 HIM. HE IS SURVIVED BY FAMILY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS. BLOSSOM
17 WEINTRAUB, A RESIDENT OF OUR DISTRICT WHO DIED AFTER AN
18 EXTENDED ILLNESS. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND OF 47 YEARS,
19 BERNARD WEINTRAUB, WHO HAS LONG SERVED AS ONE OF MY APPOINTEES
20 TO THE COUNTY COMMISSION ON AGING. SHE IS SURVIVED ALSO BY HER
21 DAUGHTERS, REBECCA WEINTRAUB AND HILDA WEINTRAUB QWAN; THREE
22 SONS, MATT AND SETH WEINTRAUB AND HOWARD STOLZ; 19
23 GRANDCHILDREN, AND THREE GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. A LOT OF
24 CERTIFICATES. LASTLY, ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF HASSAN
25 HATHOT, LONGTIME LEADER IN THE MUSLIM-AMERICAN COMMUNITY,



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1 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 84. DR. HATHOUT WAS A PHYSICIAN, A
2 MEDICAL ETHICIST, AN AUTHOR, AND POET. WITH HIS BROTHER MAHER
3 HATHOUT, HE WAS A CO-FOUNDER OF THE ISLAMIC CENTER OF SOUTHERN
4 CALIFORNIA. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF MORE THAN 56 YEARS,
5 HIS WIFE SALONAS, A RETIRED PATHOLOGIST; HIS DAUGHTER, EBA;
6 HIS GRANDCHILDREN, SARRAH AND HASSAAN SHAHAWY, HIS BROTHER
7 MAHER AND OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED. DO YOU HAVE ANY ITEMS YOU
10 WERE HOLDING?

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12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WE'RE NOT HOLDING ANYTHING. THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I'M GOING TO RELEASE MY HOLD ON ITEM 27
15 AND MOVE IT. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT
16 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. OKAY. I HAVE SOME ADJOURNMENTS. FIRST
17 OF ALL THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF MARY JANE BERKEY, WHO
18 PASSED AWAY ON APRIL 25TH. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER THREE
19 CHILDREN, BECKY, KITTY, AND CLINT. SHE WILL BE MISSED BY ALL
20 WHO KNEW HER. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF HUGO
21 BUSTAMANTE, AN EMPLOYEE OF LONG BEACH MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, WHO
22 WAS THE VICTIM OF A MURDER- SUICIDE RAMPAGE AT THE HOSPITAL ON
23 APRIL 16TH. HE WAS THE OUTPATIENT PHARMACY SUPERVISOR. OUR
24 THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS GO TO THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS. HE IS
25 SURVIVED BY WIFE, JANE; DAUGHTER, ASHLEY; AND SON, DOMINIC.



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1 ALSO WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF MABEL JANE DUKE, LONGTIME FRIEND
2 AND SUPPORTER AND MOTHER IN LAW OF BOB SCHAEFER, WHO PASSED
3 AWAY SUDDENLY ON APRIL 23RD IN SACRAMENTO. SHE WAS ONLY 76
4 YEARS OLD. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND, DAVID; SISTER,
5 LOREN; DAUGHTERS, MARY, PATTY, WENDY, AND ADA; EIGHT
6 GRANDCHILDREN AND FOUR GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. SHE WILL BE DEEPLY
7 MISSED BY EVERYONE WHO KNEW HER. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN
8 MEMORY OF KELLY HALES, ANOTHER EMPLOYEE OF LONG BEACH MEMORIAL
9 WHO WAS THE VICTIM OF THE MURDER-SUICIDE AT LONG BEACH
10 MEMORIAL. HE WAS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE AMBULATORY
11 PHARMACY, AND A RESIDENT OF REDONDO BEACH. HE WAS INVOLVED IN
12 COMMUNITY SERVICE, ENJOYED GOLF, HIKING AND TRAVELING.
13 OBVIOUSLY, OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS GO OUT TO HIS FAMILY AND
14 FRIENDS. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, KAY; DAUGHTERS, ALLISON
15 AND EMILY; SISTER, HEIDI, AND HER HUSBAND, MICHAEL; AND TWO
16 NIECES, ASHLEY AND NICOLE. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
17 CARLOS "CHARLIE" G. RIVERA, WHO PASSED AWAY. HE IS THE
18 GRANDFATHER OF MY STAFF MEMBER ANDREA AVILA. HE MOVED TO
19 HUNTINGTON PARK AND BEGAN A CAREER IN THE AEROSPACE INDUSTRY.
20 RETIRED FROM NORTHRUP GRUMMAN. CHARLIE HAD A PASSION FOR
21 HORSES AND LOVED HIS HOBBY SO MUCH HE VOLUNTEERED AS A TRAINER
22 ASSISTANT AT LOS ALAMITOS RACETRACK. HE LOVED TENDING HIS
23 BEAUTIFUL ROSE GARDEN AND GRAPE VINES, TAKING HIS KIDS AND
24 GRANDKIDS TO BISHOP, SHOWING THEM HOW TO FISH, CAMP AND ENJOY
25 LIFE. WHEN HE WASN'T IN BISHOP, YOU COULD SEE HIM SITTING



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1 OUTSIDE WAITING TO SEE WHO WOULD SHOW UP AND TALK LIFE AND
2 POLITICS WITH HIM. HE ENJOYED HAVING FAMILY BARBECUES. HIS
3 FAMILY IS GRATEFUL FOR THE YEARS AND MEMORIES THANKFUL HE IS
4 NOW REUNITED WITH HIS BEAUTIFUL WIFE OF 56 YEARS, TOMMIE. HE
5 IS SURVIVED BY NINE CHILDREN, 23 GRANDCHILDREN, 20 GREAT-GRAND
6 CHILDREN AND ONE GREAT- GREAT- GRANDCHILD, AND WILL BE MISSED
7 BY ALL. ALSO ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JULIO SALDANA, LONGTIME
8 RESIDENT OF LAKEWOOD. A MEMBER OF I.L.W.U., A VETERAN MUCH
9 WORLD WAR II, HE IS SURVIVED OF 36 YEARS, HELEN, 8 CHILDREN
10 AND 30 GRANDCHILDREN AND 36 GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. AND THOSE ARE
11 MY ADJOURNMENTS, SO ORDERED. I HELD ITEM I THINK ALONG WITH
12 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, I HELD ITEM 24. I GUESS I'M NOT
13 SURE. I'VE GOT TRISH AND THE C.E.O. OBVIOUSLY THIS IS A VERY
14 SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF MONEY IN THIS BOARD LETTER, ABOUT \$479
15 MILLION. OVER HALF OF IT, ABOUT \$270 MILLION, AS I UNDERSTAND,
16 IS COUNTY GENERAL FUNDS. IS THAT CORRECT?

17

18 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** THAT'S CORRECT.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** HOW MUCH OF THE 270 MILLION IS ALREADY
21 IDENTIFIED AND HOW MUCH ARE WE GOING TO HAVE TO FIND EACH YEAR
22 FOR THE NEXT FIVE YEARS AND BEYOND?

23

24 **MIGUEL SANTANA:** WELL THE ENTIRE AMOUNT FORECASTED IN OUR
25 BUDGET FOR THE NEXT FIVE YEARS. WHEN WE PRESENTED THIS BUDGET



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1 TO THE BOARD, WE PRESENTED A WORSE CASE SCENARIO, BECAUSE THE
2 PLAN IS THAT WE'RE LOOKING TO GETTING THE STATE TO CONTRIBUTE
3 A GREATER SHARE OF THESE COSTS, PARTICULARLY FOR WRAP-AROUND.
4 WE'VE MADE SOME PROGRESS IN TWO AREAS. ONE IS THAT WE'RE
5 LOOKING TO SUBMIT A STATE PLAN AMENDMENT WITH THE FEDERAL
6 GOVERNMENT FOR A HIGHER REIMBURSEMENT. AND THEN THE SECOND
7 AREA IS THROUGH THE COURT CASE THAT IS SPECIFIC TO THE STATE
8 CASE ALONE. WE'VE BEEN COOPERATING WITH THE PLAINTIFFS, WHO
9 ARE VERY INTERESTED IN FINDING INFORMATION AS TO HOW WRAP-
10 AROUND WORKS SO THAT THEY WOULD SUPPORT EFFORTS TO HAVE THE
11 STATE COVER THOSE COSTS. KEEP IN MIND THAT WHEN WE SET OUT THE
12 ORIGINAL NUMBER OF WRAP-AROUND SLOTS THAT WE WOULD BE
13 IDENTIFYING, WE DID IT SOMEWHAT GUESSING WHAT WE NEEDED. IT'S
14 VERY LIKELY THAT THAT NUMBER IS GOING TO DECLINE, BUT WE'LL BE
15 MONITORING THAT EVERY YEAR. THESE ARE ONE-YEAR CONTRACTS THAT
16 WILL BE REVIEWED BEFORE THEY'RE EXTENDED AGAIN BASED UPON WHAT
17 NEW INFORMATION WE HAVE.

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19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, AS YOU MENTIONED, THE TIER 1
20 SERVICES, OBVIOUSLY FUNDING SOURCES FROM A NUMBER OF DIFFERENT
21 AREAS ARE INCLUDED IN THAT IN ADDITION TO COUNTY GENERAL
22 FUNDS. BUT AS I UNDERSTAND IT, TIER 2, WE ARE SHOULDERING THE
23 ENTIRE AMOUNT. AND OBVIOUSLY IN THE OUT YEARS, AND NEW
24 BUDGETS, IT CAN BECOME DIFFICULT. IS THERE A REASON WHY WE



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1 HAVE TO SHOULDER THE ENTIRE COST OUT OF GENERAL FUND AND TIER
2 1 AND 2?

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4 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** YES, BASICALLY IT IS BECAUSE UNDER THE CAPPED
5 ALLOCATION ON THE WAIVER, WE ACTUALLY HAVE BUDGETED OUR ENTIRE
6 BUDGET. IT GOES PARTIALLY TOWARDS THE FOSTER CARE PLACEMENT
7 COSTS THAT WE'RE PAYING FOR ALL THE CHILDREN IN CARE, OVER
8 1200 OF THE TIER 1 SLOTS THAT WE'RE ALREADY FUNDING, AND THEN
9 THERE'S THE ADMINISTRATIVE AND CONTRACT COSTS FOR ALL OF THE
10 WAIVER STRATEGIES THAT WE'RE EMPLOYING. SO BASICALLY ANY TYPE
11 OF MATCHING MONEY WE HAVE ALREADY EXPENDED, WHICH MEANS THAT
12 EITHER WE DO TIER 2 OR SOME OTHER TYPE OF PROJECT, IT WOULD
13 STILL HAVE TO COME OUT OF THE NET COUNTY COST. THE REASON THAT
14 WE THINK THE TIER 2 IS A GOOD INVESTMENT, IT'S A PREVENTION
15 INITIATIVE. BECAUSE IF WE WAIT UNTIL THE PROBLEMS ESCALATE TO
16 QUALIFY FOR TIER 1, IT'S GOING TO COST MORE MONEY, NUMBER ONE.
17 BUT NUMBER TWO, IT'S ALSO NOT THE RIGHT THING TO DO FOR
18 CHILDREN. WE DON'T WANT TO WAIT UNTIL THEIR MENTAL HEALTH
19 PROBLEMS HAVE BECOME SEVERE. WE WANT TO BE ABLE TO GET HELP TO
20 THEM WHILE THEY ARE STILL -- WHILE THEY STILL HAVE THE ABILITY
21 FOR US TO CATCH IT EARLY AND ASSIST THAT FAMILY.

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23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, WHAT'S A FEASIBILITY OF MOVING
24 FORWARD WITH TIER 1 NOW AS YOU MENTIONED? BECAUSE WE CAN



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1 LEVERAGE OBVIOUSLY OTHER FUNDS FOR THAT AND NOT MAKE A MULTI-
2 YEAR COMMITMENT TO TIER 2? IS THAT A POSSIBILITY?

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4 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** I MEAN, CERTAINLY ANYTHING IS POSSIBLE. WE
5 DON'T ADVISE THAT SIMPLY BECAUSE IF WE MOVE AHEAD WITH TIER 1,
6 NOW WE HAVE CHILDREN THAT ARE NOT BEING PROVIDED THE SERVICES
7 THAT THEY NEED. PUTTING ASIDE THE FACT THAT IT'S A COMMITMENT
8 THAT WE'VE MADE AS PART OF THE KATIE A. LAWSUIT, IT TRULY IS.
9 I TRULY BELIEVE IT'S NOT THE RIGHT THING TO DO FOR CHILDREN.
10 WE NEED THIS SAFETY NET FOR OUR CHILDREN. AND I THINK THAT
11 EVEN THOUGH IT'S PUTTING UP THE MONEY UP FRONT. AND I KNOW IN
12 THIS ECONOMIC SITUATION, IT'S EXTREMELY DIFFICULT, I THINK IT
13 WILL SAVE MONEY DOWN THE LINE.

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15 **MIGUEL SANTANA:** TIER 1 IS SEVERAL TIMES MORE EXPENSIVE THAN
16 TIER 2. TIER 1 IS 4,184 A MONTH WHILE TIER 2 IS 1,250 A MONTH.
17 SO WANT SORT OF CREATE A LESS EXPENSIVE OPTION FOR KIDS WHO
18 NEED, NOT AS AN INTENSIVE SERVICES.

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20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THE KATIE A. PANELS IS ALSO DEMANDING
21 THAT WE EXPAND THE WRAP AROUND PROGRAM TO SUSTAIN A TOTAL OF
22 4,200 SLOTS. GIVEN THE FACT THAT WE ARE SOMEWHAT OF A
23 CONSISTENT TREND OF DECLINING CASELOADS, WHY IS THERE SUCH A
24 LARGE EXPANSION REQUIRED? TREND OF DECLINING CASELOADS, WHY IS
25 THERE SUCH A LARGE EXPANSION REQUIRED?



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2 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** BASICALLY BECAUSE EVEN THOUGH OUR CASELOADS
3 ARE COMING DOWN AND I FIRMLY EXPECT THEM TO CONTINUE TO COME
4 DOWN, THE CHILDREN THAT REMAIN IN THE SYSTEM ARE OF A MORE
5 HIGH NEEDS FAMILIES, MORE HIGH NEEDS CHILDREN. SO THAT MEANS
6 THAT PROPORTIONATELY WE HAVE THE NEED FOR MORE OF THOSE
7 CHILDREN TO BE SERVED, ESPECIALLY WITH MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES.
8 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, DO YOU HAVE SOME QUESTIONS ON ITEM
9 24?

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11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I'M SATISFIED THAT THE
12 CONCERNS THAT WERE ALREADY RESPONDED TO ADDRESSED SOME OF THE
13 QUESTIONS I HAD.

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15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. ANY OTHER QUESTIONS OF STAFF
16 BEFORE I CALL A COUPLE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC? MIKE?

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME ASK BILL. COULD YOU EXPLAIN YOUR
19 PROGRESS IN PURSUING ADDITIONAL STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDING FOR
20 THE WRAP AROUND PROGRAM AND THE PERSPECTIVE THAT WE HAVE IN
21 ACHIEVING THIS?

22

23 **MIGUEL SANTANA:** AS I MENTIONED, THERE'S THREE DIFFERENT
24 STRATEGIES. THE FIRST ONE IS TRYING TO GET TO BE PART OF THE
25 STATE PLANNED AMENDMENT SO THAT WE RECEIVE A HIGHER



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1 REIMBURSEMENT RATE. THAT'S A CHALLENGING STRATEGY BECAUSE AT
2 THE END OF THE DAY, IT RESULTS IN COSTING THE STATE MORE
3 MONEY. AND IN THIS FISCAL TIME, IT'S NOT LIKELY THE STATE
4 WOULD SUPPORT THAT. THE BEST OPTION WE'RE PURSUING IS WITH THE
5 CASE AGAINST THE STATE. WE'VE PROVIDED EXPERT TESTIMONY. WE
6 BRIEFED THEM ON OUR WRAP-AROUND PROGRAM. A SPECIAL MASTER HAS
7 BEEN APPOINTED AND HE ACTUALLY CITED LOS ANGELES COUNTY AS AN
8 EXAMPLE OF WHAT THE STATE NEEDS TO DO. SO WE'RE HOPING THAT
9 THROUGH THAT WORK, AND THROUGH THE EFFORTS OF THE COURT, THAT
10 THE STATE WILL BE MANDATED TO PROVIDE A BIGGER COVERAGE OF THE
11 WRAP-AROUND PROGRAM.

12
13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WELL, IF PROPOSITION 1-E IS APPROVED, WHICH I
14 HOPE IT IS, I HOPE ALL OF THOSE PROPOSITIONS ARE DEFEATED. BUT
15 IF 1-E WAS APPROVED, WHAT IMPACT DOES THAT HAVE ON OUR FUTURE
16 FUNDING FOR TIER 2, THE FULL SERVICE PARTNERSHIP SLOTS? AND IF
17 DIVERTED, DOES THIS NOT WEIGH UPON THE COUNTY GENERAL FUND
18 ONCE AGAIN?

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20 **DR. MARV SOUTHARD:** MARV SOUTHARD, DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH.
21 SUPERVISOR, OUR ANALYSIS IS THAT IF 1-E WERE TO PASS, IT WOULD
22 NOT AFFECT COMMUNITY SERVICES AND SUPPORTS SECTION OF THE
23 MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ACT, WHICH IS THE PORTION THAT FUNDS
24 FULL SERVICE PARTNERSHIPS. SO WE WOULD NOT EXPECT ANY IMPACT
25 ON TIER 2 FULL SERVICE PARTNERSHIP PROGRAMS IN THE FUTURE.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME ASK COUNTY COUNSEL. NOW THAT THE
3 JUDICIAL BRANCH IS ACTING AS AN EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE BODY
4 AT TIMES, WHAT'S THE COURT'S PERSPECTIVE ON THE FINANCIAL
5 IMPACT TO THE REST OF THE COUNTY'S CRITICAL SERVICES IF ONE
6 HALF BILLION DOLLARS IS ALLOCATED TOWARDS COMPLYING WITH THE
7 KATIE A. SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT?

8

9 **ROBERT KALUNIAN:** SUPERVISOR, THIS IS A PRODUCT OF A VOLUNTARY
10 NEGOTIATION BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND THE PLAINTIFFS. THE COURT
11 HAS BEEN INVOLVED. AND WE HAVE MADE EVERY EFFORT TO MAKE THE
12 COURT AND THE PLAINTIFFS AWARE OF THE COUNTY'S FISCAL ISSUES
13 THAT WE PRESENTLY HAVE AND MAY HAVE IN THE FUTURE.

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15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WHAT WOULD BE THE COUNTY'S EXIT STRATEGY
16 AND TIMELINE TO GET OUT OF THE SITUATION?

17

18 **ROBERT KALUNIAN:** I BELIEVE YOUR BOARD APPROVED A CORRECTIVE
19 ACTION PLAN, WHICH WAS CALLED THE STRATEGIC PLAN, WHICH IS THE
20 FIVE-YEAR PLAN BACK IN OCTOBER. AND THAT PLAN INVOLVED INPUT
21 FROM D.C.F.S., D.M.H. AND C.E.O. AND ALL THOSE DEPARTMENTS
22 PROJECT THEY WILL BE ABLE TO MEET THE EXIT CRITERIA WITHIN THE
23 FIVE YEARS.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IT'S BEEN FIVE YEARS. TRISH? HOW DO YOU PLAN
2 ON ADDRESSING THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER'S FINDINGS RELATED TO THE
3 EXPENDITURE PRACTICES OF THE OTHERWISE OUTSTANDING WRAP-AROUND
4 SERVICES THAT WE HAVE?

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6 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** ACTUALLY, WE HAVE AN ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM
7 THAT'S BOTH PROBATION, MENTAL HEALTH AND D.C.F.S. THAT COME
8 TOGETHER TO LOOK AT THE PERFORMANCE OF THESE AGENCIES. WE LOOK
9 AT PROGRAMMATIC PRACTICE ISSUES AS WELL AS FISCAL AND
10 ADMINISTRATIVE. WE HAVE A PROCESS BY WHICH WE DO SAMPLES OF
11 THEIR WORK. AND IF THERE IS PROBLEMS, WE HAVE A PROCESS BY
12 PUTTING THEM ON AN IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM. AND THEN ASSISTING
13 THEM THROUGH TRAINING, THROUGH CLOSER MONITORING TO ENSURE
14 THAT THEY BRING THEIR AGENCY UP TO STANDARD.

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16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY, THANK YOU.

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ANY OTHER QUESTIONS? IF NOT --

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20 **SUP. MOLINA:** MR. CHAIRMAN. I HAVE A MOTION THAT I'D LIKE TO
21 INTRODUCE. IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT THESE WRAP-AROUND
22 CONTRACTS ARE ONLY PART OF THE SIGNIFICANT FINANCIAL AND
23 PROGRAMMATIC COMMITMENT WE ARE MAKING TO MEET THE CONDITIONS
24 UNDER KATIE A. IN ADDITION TO THESE WRAP-AROUND CONTRACTS,
25 THIS FRIDAY, SOCIAL WORKERS AT BELVEDERE, SANTA FE SPRINGS



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1 OFFICE WILL BEGIN THE MENTAL HEALTH SCREENING PROCESS
2 COMMITTED UNDER THE KATIE A. STRATEGIC PLAN THAT WE ADOPTED
3 LAST OCTOBER. THIS IS ONLY THE FIRST STEP IN IDENTIFYING WHICH
4 CHILDREN OR YOUTH MAY REQUIRE FURTHER ASSESSMENTS AND
5 TREATMENTS. WE HAVE WAITED FOR THIS FOR SOME TIME. AND IT'S
6 IMPORTANT THAT WE TRACK THE EFFECTIVENESS OF SCREENING, THE
7 REFERRAL, AS WELL AS THE TREATMENT SERVICES. I THEREFORE MOVE
8 THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RECEIVE A MONTHLY REPORT
9 BEGINNING ON MAY 30TH WITH THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION FROM THE
10 C.E.O., DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN SERVICES, AS WELL AS THE
11 DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH: THE NUMBER OF SOCIAL WORKERS
12 COMPLETING THE SCREENINGS, THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN THAT HAVE
13 BEEN SCREENED, THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN THAT HAVE BEEN REFERRED
14 TO MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, THE AMOUNT OF TIME BETWEEN
15 SCREENING, ASSESSMENT AND TREATMENT ACCESS; THE NUMBER OF
16 CHILDREN ACCESSING SERVICES; THE WAITING TIMES, IF ANY, AT
17 DIRECTLY OPERATED CLINICS OR CONTRACTED PROVIDERS; AND OF
18 COURSE, AN ASSESSMENT OF THE QUALITY OF THOSE MENTAL HEALTH
19 SERVICES THAT THEY ARE RECEIVING.

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21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I SECOND THAT, MR. CHAIR.

22
23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT. WE HAVE THE ITEM BEFORE
24 US AS AMENDED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA WITH A SECOND. I HAVE DR.



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1 GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL AND ARNOLD SACHS. I GOT YOU. SHE PASSES.

2 ARNOLD?

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4 **ARNOLD SACHS:** GOOD AFTERNOON, COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
5 ARNOLD SACHS. I ACTUALLY WAS GOING TO TALK A LITTLE BIT ABOUT
6 LAST WEEK'S MEETING AND I THOUGHT I'D USE SOME OF THE THINGS
7 IN THIS AGENDA ITEM TO DISCUSS THAT BECAUSE I DIDN'T KNOW THAT
8 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS WOULD HAVE SOMETHING DEALING WITH
9 LAST WEEK'S MEETING. BUT IT WAS MENTIONED WHEN HE HAD HIS
10 AMENDMENT THAT YOU WERE CONCERNED ABOUT THE ARTICLE IN THE
11 L.A. TIMES. I WAS READING THE ARTICLE IN THE L.A. TIMES AFTER
12 THE MEETING. AND SO I'M CONCERNED ABOUT HERE WHERE IT SAYS IN
13 THIS AGENDA ITEM "THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
14 TO MEET THE NEEDS OF ADDITIONAL SERVICES REQUIRED BY THE PLAN.
15 WRAP-AROUND SERVICE USING EXTENDED REQUESTS FOR STATEMENT OF
16 QUALIFICATIONS APPROVED BY THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL
17 SERVICES." AND THEN IN THAT ARTICLE FROM WEDNESDAY, APRIL
18 22ND, IT STATED THAT PART OF THE PROBLEM WITH DOING THE
19 ELECTRONIC MEDIA SITUATION IS THERE'S STATE LEGISLATION THAT
20 DOESN'T ALLOW FOR THAT. THAT CONFIDENTIAL FILES STAND IN THE
21 WAY OF DEVELOPING A COMPUTER SYSTEM THAT WOULD ALLOW SOCIAL
22 WORKERS TO EFFICIENTLY SHARE DATA WITH OTHER AGENCIES SO THAT
23 THEY MIGHT LEARN ABOUT A PARENT'S CRIMINAL HISTORY OR A
24 CHILD'S UNEXPLAINED INJURIES. AND THEN FURTHER ON IN THAT
25 ARTICLE, IT STATES THAT THIS INFORMATION WAS REFERRED TO THE



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1 BOARD IN A 2001 REPORT. SO WHAT'S HAPPENED SINCE 2001? WHY
2 HASN'T ANY AGENDA -- WHY HASN'T ANYTHING BEEN NOTIFIED TO THE
3 STATE LEGISLATION? AND WOULD THAT INFORMATION REGARDING THE
4 REPORTS BE PART OF THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL
5 SERVICES' PLAN IN THE STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS FOR CHILD
6 SERVICES? BECAUSE IF YOU'RE NOT ADDRESSING THAT, THEN ALL THE
7 SERVICES YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT IN THIS WRAP-AROUND PROGRAM ARE
8 REALLY FOR NAUGHT. AND SO THAT'S A QUESTION I HAVE. AND THEN I
9 HAVE ANOTHER QUESTION REGARDING THE JUXTAPOSITION OF THE
10 REPORTS THAT WERE GIVEN LAST WEEK. FIRST YOU HAD THIS CHILD
11 FAMILY SERVICES REPORT, THEN YOU HAD THE BUDGET. AND IN THE
12 BUDGET, MR. FUJIOKA MENTIONED THAT ONE OF THE THINGS THEY'RE
13 GOING TO DO THIS YEAR IN THIS BUDGET IS THEY'RE GOING TO
14 ELIMINATE POSITIONS THAT WERE FUNDED BUT WEREN'T FILLED. YET
15 THE HEAD OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES
16 SAID SHE NEEDS 1,000 WORKERS. SO SHE NEEDS POSITIONS THAT
17 DOESN'T HAVE FUNDING AND THE COUNTY IS GOING TO ELIMINATE
18 POSITIONS THAT ARE FUNDED BUT NOT FILLED. AND THIS IS THE END
19 OF APRIL. SO I WOULD IMAGINE THAT THE POSITIONS MR. FUJIOKA
20 WAS TALKING ABOUT WERE FUNDED IN THE PREVIOUS BUDGET
21 DISCUSSIONS LAST MAY. WHERE'S THE MONEY? THAT'S 10 MONTHS, 11
22 MONTHS. WHAT HAPPENED TO THE MONEY? IF THE POSITIONS HAVEN'T
23 BEEN FILLED, THEN THE MONEY SHOULD BE AVAILABLE. SHE NEEDS
24 1,000 WORKERS. THEY HAVE IN NEW YORK 15 CASES PER WORKER. HOW
25 MANY DESKS DO THEY HAVE IN NEW YORK? HOW DID THEY MANAGE TO



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1 LOWER THEIR CASEWORKER LOAD DOWN TO 15 PEOPLE? WHEN ARE THESE
2 PROBLEMS GOING TO BE ADDRESSED? WHO HANDLED THAT INFORMATION?
3 THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. THE ITEM'S BEFORE
6 US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA AND AMENDED BY SUPERVISOR
7 MOLINA. THE CHAIR WILL SECOND IT. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
8 ORDERED. ARNOLD, WHILE YOU'RE HERE, I BELIEVE YOU HELD ITEM
9 25. GENEVIEVE HELD ITEM 25? ARE YOU OKAY? ITEM 25, MOVED BY
10 SUPERVISOR MOLINA. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT
11 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

12

13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MR. CHAIRMAN. ALSO ON ITEM 1-D., THE
14 SPEAKER NO LONGER WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ON THIS. AND IT'S
15 RELATED TO ITEM 26.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ITEM 1-D AND ITEM 26, MOVED BY THE
18 CHAIR, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
19 ORDERED. I THINK THAT TAKES CARE OF THE AGENDA, IS THAT
20 CORRECT? EXCEPT FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS? I KNOW, BUT BEFORE S-1.
21 OH, I'LL WAIT FOR MY READ-IN MOTION TO JUST BEFORE, I THINK.
22 ITEM S-1. DR. CLAVREUL WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK SPEAK.

23

24 **CAROL MEYER:** CAROL MEYER, CHIEF NETWORK OFFICER FOR THE HEALTH
25 DEPARTMENT. THIS IS OUR TENTH PROGRESS REPORT ON THE MOVE OF



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1 L.A.C.+U.S.C. MEDICAL CENTER. AS YOU CAN SEE BY THE REPORT, WE
2 HAVE PROVIDED INFORMATION REGARDING THE UTILIZATION RATE, 83
3 PERCENT OF THE WHOLE FACILITY, 671 BEDS, ARE BEING UTILIZED ON
4 AN AVERAGE DAILY CENSUS. AND OF THE MEDICAL SURGICAL BEDS
5 ALONE, WE ARE AT 94 PERCENT UTILIZATION. I'D LIKE TO REPORT
6 THAT WE RECENTLY RECEIVED THE OFFICIAL RESPONSE SINCE THIS
7 REPORT WAS WRITTEN FROM THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING,
8 ALLOWING US TO FLEX, PROVIDE FLEX CONSIDERATION FOR THE I.C.U.
9 BEDS, ALLOWING US TO USE THEM AS MEDICAL SURGICAL BEDS, THESE
10 ARE THE UNUSED I.C.U. BEDS, AND PROVIDE STAFFING AT THE MED-
11 SURG LEVEL. IN ADDITION, I'D LIKE TO REPORT THAT L.A.C.+U.S.C.
12 MEDICAL CENTER HAS BEGUN TEACHING STAFF REGARDING THE NEW SURG
13 PLAN. THIS IS THE PLAN THAT EVERY HOSPITAL IS REQUIRED TO
14 DEVELOP AS REQUIRED BY THE JOINT COMMISSION AND LICENSING TO
15 DEAL WITH SURGES IN THE EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT. THIS SURGE PLAN
16 WILL REQUIRE US TO INCREASE TRANSFERS, LOOK AT THIS I.C.U. BED
17 CAPACITY, IMPROVE PATIENT FLOW AND A VARIETY OF MEASURES. AND
18 THAT PLAN WILL GO INTO PLACE IN THE NEAR FUTURE, ONCE THE
19 EDUCATION AND TRAINING IS COMPLETED.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA:** WILL YOU REPORT BACK TO US ON THE SURGE PLAN?
22 YOU'RE TRAINING PEOPLE ON THE OLD ONE?

23



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1 **CAROL MEYER:** NO. WE'RE TRAINING ON THE NEW ONE THE ITEMS THAT
2 ARE SPECIFIC TO PATIENT FLOW. WE ARE NOT IMPLEMENTING MEASURES
3 RELATED --

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5 **SUP. MOLINA:** WELL OBVIOUSLY, THE CONCERNS I HAVE DEAL WITH
6 PATIENT FLOW. HOW CAN YOU BE TRAINING THEM ON SOMETHING THAT
7 WE HAVEN'T APPROVED YET?

8

9 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** SUPERVISOR, WE'LL BE HAPPY TO BRING IT
10 FORTH AND HAVE IT FULLY REVIEWED. I KNOW THAT THERE WERE
11 ISSUES ABOUT THE AVAILABILITY OF OTHER BEDS IN OTHER
12 FACILITIES AND ALSO THE ISSUE ABOUT WHETHER ANY PART OF THIS
13 PLAN INCLUDED HAVING PATIENTS IN THE HALLWAYS, WHICH IS NOT
14 WHAT WE WOULD WANT TO DO. BUT WE'D BE HAPPY TO BRING BACK THE
15 ENTIRE PLAN TO TALK ABOUT THAT.

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17 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO DOES THAT MEAN THAT YOU WILL NOT BE TRAINING
18 THE EMPLOYEES ON THAT PLAN?

19

20 **CAROL MEYER:** WE'RE TRAINING THE EMPLOYEES ON THE PIECES OF THE
21 PLAN THAT WE HAVE ALWAYS HAD WITHIN THE FACILITIES. ALL OF OUR
22 HOSPITALS HAVE A SURGE PLAN, IT'S REQUIRED BY JCO.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** I THINK THIS HOSPITAL HAS THE ONLY ONE WITH
25 PEOPLE SLEEPING IN THE HALLWAY.



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2 **CAROL MEYER:** NO, WE'VE NOT IMPLEMENTED THAT PORTION AS STATED
3 BY THE REPORT. WE HAVE NOT IMPLEMENTED THE HALLWAY BED PLAN
4 PORTION. THAT HAS BEEN EXCLUDED.

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6 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THAT'S THE PORTION -- A COMMITMENT WAS MADE TO
7 SUPERVISOR MOLINA, THAT FOR THAT ASPECT, THAT WE'RE COMING
8 BACK TO HER OFFICE AND IDENTIFYING SOME ALTERNATIVES. I
9 BELIEVE WHAT CAROL'S REFERRING TO IS WHEN WE TALKED ABOUT THE
10 I.C.U. BEDS, WE ALSO TALKED ABOUT THE TRANSFER OF PATIENTS TO
11 NOT ONLY WITHIN OUR SYSTEM BUT POSSIBLY OUTSIDE THAT SYSTEM.
12 WE'RE LOOKING AT EVERY OPTION POSSIBLE RELATED TO MANAGING AN
13 INFLUX OR A SURGE OF PATIENTS IN THE EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT AT
14 L.A.C.+U.S.C. MEDICAL CENTER. BUT WITH RESPECT TO THAT ONE
15 OPTION ABOUT THE UTILIZING HALLWAY BEDS, THAT'S NOT BEING DONE
16 UNTIL WE COME BACK WITH SOME ALTERNATIVES AS PROMISED TO YOU.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA:** THANK YOU FOR THE CLARIFICATION.

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20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. GENEVIEVE? OR DR. CLAVREUL,
21 EXCUSE ME.

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23 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
24 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. I GUESS SOMEWHERE IN THE WORLD IT IS



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1 11 O'CLOCK A.M., BUT CERTAINLY NOT IN LOS ANGELES. ANYWAY, I'M
2 GLAD TO SEE THAT.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THERE ARE OTHER PARTS. IT'S 11 O'CLOCK
5 SOMEPLACE.

6

7 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YES. IT'S 11 O'CLOCK SOMEWHERE IN THE
8 WORLD. WHO CARES? I'M GLAD THEY ARE NOT CONSIDERING RIGHT NOW
9 THE ISSUE OF HAVING PATIENT IN THE HALLWAY. I THINK THAT'S A
10 BIG NO NO. AND I THINK WE CAN DO BETTER. I'M ALSO, THE WAIT IN
11 THE E.R. I MEAN IN THE E.D., IS STILL VERY HIGH. WE STILL HAVE
12 A LOT OF PEOPLE LEAVING WITHOUT BEING SEEN. LIKE IN THE
13 BOARDING TIME. AN EXAMPLE IS THE INCREASE. YOU WENT FROM 4.44
14 TO 6.06. THAT'S A HUGE INCREASE ON BOARDING TIME IN THE E.D.
15 THE WAITING TIMES HAVE ALSO INCREASED. AND I WOULD LIKE TO
16 KNOW WHY IN PAGE 9 OF 11, THIS SAYS THAT 26 PATIENTS WERE
17 REFUSED ON TRANSFER. I WONDER WHY. DO WE KNOW? THAT WOULD BE
18 KIND OF NICE.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE'LL TRY TO GET THAT ANSWER FOR YOU.
21 THAT'S A RECEIVE AND FILE, IS THAT CORRECT?

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23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** CORRECT.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, YOUR
2 ADJOURNMENTS, PLEASE?

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS. IT WAS VERY SAD A
5 WEEK AGO WHEN ONE OF THE GREAT EDUCATORS OF OUR STATE AND
6 NATION, DR. THOMAS EDWARD DILLON WAS TRAGICALLY KILLED IN A
7 TRAFFIC ACCIDENT IN IRELAND, WHERE HE AND HIS WIFE WERE
8 ATTENDING A CONFERENCE RELATIVE TO EDUCATIONAL ISSUES. IN
9 1972, HE WAS APPOINTED TO THE THOMAS AQUINAS TEACHING FACULTY
10 AND HE SERVED AS THE ASSISTANT DEAN FOR STUDENT AFFAIRS UNTIL
11 1981. THEN HE SERVED AS THE ACADEMIC DEAN UNTIL HE WAS
12 APPOINTED AS PRESIDENT IN 1991. HE SUCCEEDED DR. RON
13 MACARTHUR, WHO HAD BEEN THE FOUNDING PRESIDENT OF THE COLLEGE.
14 HE WAS A MEMBER OF THE SOVEREIGN MILITARY ORDER OF MALTA,
15 CHAIRMAN OF THE WESTERN ASSOCIATION'S DEFENSE OF THE FAITH
16 COMMITTEE, AND QUITE INVOLVED IN RAISING OVER \$100 MILLION FOR
17 THE THOMAS AQUINAS COLLEGE, WHICH IS ONE OF THE TOP SMALL
18 COLLEGES IN THE UNITED STATES. IT NOW ORIGINALLY WAS IN THE
19 SAN FERNANDO VALLEY AND THEN MOVED TO OJAI IN VENTURA COUNTY.
20 IT'S A GREAT BOOK SCHOOL. TRAGEDY WAS ONE OF HIS BIG AMBITIONS
21 WAS TO BUILD A NEW CHAPEL AT THE UNIVERSITY, WHICH WAS
22 COMPLETED AND THEY HAD POPE BENEDICT II DID PRAYERS OVER THE
23 CORNERSTONE IN ROME A FEW MONTHS AGO AND IT WAS DEDICATED LAST
24 MONTH. IT WAS A VERY ELABORATE, BEAUTIFUL CHAPEL AND DEDICATED
25 TO ST. MARY. BUT WHAT'S AMAZING AND IRONIC, THEY HAD \$5



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1 MILLION LEFT TO PAY FOR THAT CHAPEL. AND THE INSURANCE POLICY
2 THAT THE COLLEGE HAD ON HIS LIFE WAS FOR \$5 MILLION. SO THE
3 TRAGIC ACCIDENT ENDED UP WHERE THEY COMPLETED THE CHAPEL. BUT
4 HE WAS A GREAT EDUCATOR, GREAT LEADER. ANOTHER OUTSTANDING
5 LEADER IN ALTADENA THAT WAS QUITE INVOLVED WITH MY EFFORTS AND
6 SERVED AS ONE OF MY COMMISSIONERS FOR MANY YEARS PASSED AWAY.
7 AND THAT WAS MARCUS LEWIS. MARCUS LEWIS WAS AN ACTIVE MEMBER.
8 HE SERVED AS PAST PRESIDENT OF THE SHERIFF SUPPORT GROUP OF
9 ALTADENA, HE WAS A BOARD MEMBER OF THE ALTADENA TOWN COUNCIL,
10 SERVED AS A BOARD MEMBER OF THE ALTADENA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.
11 HE WAS PAST ALTADENA CITIZEN OF THE YEAR, HE WAS INVOLVED WITH
12 THE N.A.A.C.P., AND HE PASSED AWAY. AND HE LEAVES HIS WIFE,
13 DELORES. ALSO THELMA ANDERSON, WHO WAS AN EMPLOYEE WITH THE
14 LOS ANGELES COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT IN BURBANK FOR MANY YEARS
15 AND BECAME SECRETARY TO THE CHIEF OF POLICE FOR THE CITY OF
16 GLENDALE, WHERE SHE SERVED IN BOTH THE DETECTIVE AND JUVENILE
17 BUREAUS AND MADE IT HER CAREER AS THE SECRETARY OF THE OFFICES
18 OF CHIEF CARL EGGS PASSED AWAY. HANNAH CARTER, WHO WAS ON THE
19 UNITED STATES NATION SKI HALL OF FAME. SHE WAS INDUCTED IN
20 1997. SHE PARTICIPATED AS A DELEGATE TO THE 1984 OLYMPICS IN
21 LOS ANGELES AND WAS QUITE INVOLVED IN PHILANTHROPIC AND OTHER
22 ACTIVITIES IN OUR COUNTY. ANNETTE HADDAD. SHE WAS A RESIDENT
23 OF PASADENA. SHE COVERED THE RESIDENTIAL REAL ESTATE MARKET
24 FOR THE "LOS ANGELES TIMES." WAS A GRADUATE OF THE UNIVERSITY
25 OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. SHE WAS QUITE INVOLVED IN THE



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1 COMMUNITY. AND SHE WAS THE RESIDENTIAL REAL ESTATE REPORTER
2 FOR THE "LOS ANGELES TIMES" BUSINESS SECTION. CHARLES WILLIAM
3 BLESSING SR., WHO MANAGED A RANCH IN LANCASTER AND ALSO WAS
4 INVOLVED WITH BUILDERS EMPORIUM AND THE FORREST HOME CENTER
5 RETAIL STORES, WAS AN ACTIVE AMATEUR HAM RADIO ENTHUSIAST AND
6 INVOLVED WITH THE SCOUTS, THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA, AND
7 MEMBER OF THE SHELTON METHODIST CHURCH. ROBERT GARCIA, MEMBER
8 OF THE LOS ANGELES PROBATION DEPARTMENT, WHERE HE SERVED FOR
9 OVER 17 YEARS. IN 1998 HE WAS PROMOTED TO THE POSITION OF
10 DEPUTY PROBATION OFFICER 2 AND PARTICIPATED IN MANY OF THE
11 PROGRAMS WITH CAMP COMMUNITY TRANSITION PROGRAMS, CENTRALIZED
12 GANG SERVICES AND THE COMMUNITY DETENTION PROGRAM AT CENTRAL
13 JUVENILE HALL. LAURIE HAWKINS. SHE WORKED FOR 32 YEARS FOR THE
14 ASSESSOR'S OFFICE. AND SHE PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 55 AND
15 SHE WAS A CURRENT EMPLOYEE WITH THE COUNTY. SHE BEGAN HER
16 CAREER AT U.S. STEEL BEFORE SHE WAS HIRED BY THE L.A. COUNTY
17 ASSESSOR'S OFFICE. AND FROM A CLERK POSITION, SHE ROSE TO THE
18 CHIEF OF OWNERSHIP DIVISION WHEN SHE PASSED AWAY. JAMES WESLEY
19 HUGUELY WAS A THEATER OWNER, ACTOR, DIRECTOR, PLAYWRIGHT,
20 SINGER, PRODUCER, AND TELEVISION SHOW WRITER. SOME OF HIS
21 PERFORMANCE SHOWS INCLUDED "MAGNUM P.I.," "MCGUIRE," AND
22 "QUANTUM LEAP." ROY KUNISAWA PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 73. AND
23 HE LEAVES HIS SON AND DAUGHTER, HENRY AND MAUREEN. GWYNE
24 WILLIAM "BILL" LINE. HE PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 95. HE WAS A
25 GRADUATE OF TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY, WHERE HE RECEIVED HIS



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1 BACHELOR AND MASTERS' DEGREE. AND HE WAS AN EMPLOYEE AT
2 LOCKHEED. DR. HASSAN HATHOUT, WHO WAS A CARDIOLOGIST PHYSICIAN
3 AND ALSO ACTIVE IN INTERFAITH ACTIVITIES IN THE COUNTY OF LOS
4 ANGELES. SUSAN HARNLY PETERSON, A PROFESSOR AT U.S. C. FOR 23
5 YEARS AND WAS WORKING ON HER FIFTH EDITION OF THE "CRAFT OF
6 ART AND CLAY" SERIES. AND SHE WAS QUITE INVOLVED IN WRITING ON
7 CERAMIC HISTORY AND EDUCATIONAL WORLDWIDE ISSUES. RICHARD
8 ROAST, LONG-TIME COUNTY EMPLOYEE WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
9 WORKS, ORIGINALLY WAS ASSISTANT DIVISION HEAD OF THE DESIGN
10 DIVISION, BUT WAS PROMOTED TO THE POSITION OF DISTRICT 5
11 ENGINEER FOR ROAD MAINTENANCE. PEDRO SANCHEZ, WHO WAS AN
12 EXECUTIVE MANAGER AT THE UNITED AIRLINES IN SOUTHERN
13 CALIFORNIA. ELINOR "IRENE" STEGMAN, WHO WAS A MEMBER OF THE
14 SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH IN ANTELOPE VALLEY AND THE
15 ANTELOPE VALLEY GEOLOGICAL SOCIETY. ROY ROGER YOCKEY, RETIRED
16 LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF. ROBERT CORRALES, WHO WAS A FORMER
17 MARSHAL AND THEN BECAME DEPUTY SHERIFF OF THE LOS ANGELES
18 COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. HE PASSED AWAY ON APRIL 23RD. AND
19 WILLIAM DANIEL BARBUS, WHO WAS A GRADUATE OF LOS ANGELES
20 POLYTECHNIC HIGH SCHOOL, LOS ANGELES CITY COLLEGE AND WAS A
21 BUSINESSMAN IN PASADENA. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS.

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23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND I'D LIKE TO READ IN THAT WE COULD DIRECT
2 THE C.E.O. IN CONSULTATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
3 SERVICES, TO RE-EVALUATE THE CURRENT SCOPE OF ELECTIVE AND/OR
4 NON-CHRONIC DISEASE SERVICES BEING PROVIDED TO ALL PATIENTS
5 WITH A REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD ON ANY POTENTIAL CHANGES IN
6 SERVICES ASSOCIATED, SAVINGS THAT COULD BE REALIZED. THAT'S
7 FOR A REPORT BACK.

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9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. REPORT BACK.

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE DID 27?

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13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YES, WE DID.

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15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. AND THAT'S ALL I HAVE, MR. CHAIRMAN.

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. LET ME -- CAN I ASK SUPERVISOR
18 MOLINA FIRST IF SHE HAS -- SUPERVISOR MOLINA, DO YOU HAVE ANY
19 ADJOURNING MOTIONS? OKAY. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY --

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ONE THAT JUST CAME TO OUR ATTENTION, MR.
22 CHAIRMAN. BOB OATES, THE LONGTIME SPORTS WRITER FOR THE "LOS
23 ANGELES TIMES" AND "HERALD EXAMINER" PASSED AWAY WITHIN THE
24 LAST 24 HOURS AT THE AGE OF 93.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I'D LIKE TO JOIN IN THAT.

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3 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL MEMBERS. BOB SERVED IN THE ORIGINAL HALL
4 OF FOOTBALL FAME SELECTION PANEL, BEGAN COVERING FOOTBALL IN
5 LOS ANGELES IN 1939. WHEN THE CLEVELAND RAMS MOVED TO LOS
6 ANGELES IN THE EARLY '50S, HE COVERED THE NFL FOR THE REST OF
7 HIS CAREER. HE SWITCHED TO THE "HERALD EXAMINER" AND THEN TO
8 THE L.A. TIMES IN 1968, RETIRING FROM FULL-TIME REPORTING IN
9 1995. HE COVERED 39 CONSECUTIVE SUPER BOWLS, BEGINNING WITH
10 THE FIRST ONE IN 1967 AND CONTINUING UNTIL 2006, WHEN HE
11 STAYED AT HOME TO CARE FOR HIS WIFE OF 64 YEARS, MARNIE, WHO
12 PASSED AWAY A SHORT TIME LATER. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS SON,
13 BOB, JR.; TWO GRANDCHILDREN AND TWO BROTHERS; AND ANOTHER SON,
14 STEVE, WHO PREDECEASED HIM IN 2003, NOT SURVIVED BY STEVE. ALL
15 MEMBERS. LAST, MR. CHAIRMAN, I DON'T THINK WE'VE ADJOURNED IN
16 MEMORY OF ERICA SCORANO. I NOTICED IN THE NEWSPAPER OVER THE
17 WEEKEND THAT SHE HAD PASSED AWAY. SHE WAS MURDERED, ACTUALLY,
18 BY SOMEONE. ERICA SCORANO, SHE WAS VERY ACTIVE IN THE 1980S,
19 LATE '70S, EARLY '80S IN HOLLYWOOD. SHE WAS ONE OF THE FIRST
20 PEOPLE WHO REALLY TRIED TO AGITATE ON BEHALF OF TURNING
21 HOLLYWOOD AROUND AS A RESIDENT, FOUGHT STREET PROSTITUTION ON
22 SUNSET BOULEVARD INCESSANTLY. AND SHE WAS TRAGICALLY MURDERED.
23 I THINK THEY HAVE THE SUSPECT BUT I'M NOT GOING TO SAY IT
24 BECAUSE I DON'T KNOW FOR SURE. BUT I ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN
25 HER MEMORY. ERICA SCORANO.



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SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: BEFORE WE GO TO PUBLIC COMMENTS, I DO
HAVE ONE READ-IN MOTION. THIS IS IN REGARDS TO S.B. 282,
SENATOR WRIGHT. IT'S ABOUT GANG INJUNCTIONS. BASICALLY IT
WOULD LIMIT THE DURATION OF GANG INJUNCTIONS TO FIVE YEARS.
SUCH A TIME LIMITATION WOULD SIGNIFICANTLY DECREASE THE
EFFECTIVENESS OF THE STRATEGY AS GANG INJUNCTIONS ARE A LARGE-
SCALE EFFORT THAT OFTEN TAKE UP TO TWO YEARS TO DEVELOP,
OBTAIN AND IMPLEMENT. IN ADDITION, THE IMPACT OF GANG
INJUNCTIONS CAN BE IMMEDIATE. IT CAN TAKE THREE YEARS OR MORE
FOR A LONG-TERM RESULTS TO TAKE ROOT. BY IMPOSING A FIVE-YEAR
LIMIT ON TERM ON GANG INJUNCTIONS, S.B. 282 REDUCES BOTH THE
EFFICIENCY AND EFFECTIVENESS OF GANG ABATEMENT EFFORTS, AND IN
SO DOING, COMPROMISES PUBLIC SAFETY. THIS WAS BROUGHT TO MY
ATTENTION BY THE C.C.J.C.C. AND I WOULD MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS OPPOSE S.B. 282 UNLESS AMENDED TO DELETE THE
LANGUAGE INSTITUTING A TIME LIMIT ON INJUNCTIONS.

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SUP. ANTONOVICH: SECOND.

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SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: CAN WE VOTE ON THAT TODAY OR DOES THAT
HAVE TO COME BACK ON THE AGENDA? IT'S NOT A REPORT BACK, IT'S
TAKING A POSITION.

24

C.E.O. FUJIOKA: I THINK IT HAS TO COME BACK.

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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. IT WILL COME BACK, THEN. IT WILL
3 HAVE TO COME BACK ON MAY 12TH BECAUSE WE'LL BE IN D.C. NEXT
4 WEEK. OKAY. ALL RIGHT. PUBLIC COMMENT. ALL RIGHT. I WILL DO MY
5 BEST TO READ THESE NAMES. FIRST OF ALL, MIMI KEBEBDE. NILA
6 NEUKUM. MYRA TORRES. AND HELEN JONES WILL BE THE FIRST FOUR.

7

8 **NILA NEUKUM:** THANK YOU, SIR.

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10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** GO AHEAD. IDENTIFY YOURSELF AND PROCEED.
11 WHOEVER WANTS TO GO FIRST GO FIRST.

12

13 **NILA NEUKUM:** OKAY. GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS NILA NEUKUM. I'M
14 A MEMBER OF I.A.T.S.E. LOCAL 871, AND I'M HERE REPRESENTING
15 THE FAMILIES OF THE MOTION PICTURE TELEVISION FUND. IN
16 PARTICULAR, MY FATHER, JOHN NEUKUM, DIRECTOR'S GUILD OF
17 AMERICA. AND CURRENTLY HE IS A RESIDENT AT HARRY'S HAVEN WHICH
18 IS FOR THE ALZHEIMER'S UNIT. BUT I DON'T KNOW IF YOU ARE AWARE
19 THAT THE MOTION PICTURE TELEVISION FUND IS CLOSING THEIR LONG-
20 TERM CARE FACILITY. WE ARE HERE TO ASK, BEG, PLEAD, WHATEVER
21 WE NEED TO DO, THAT WE ASK THEM TO RECONSIDER THIS, THEIR
22 POSITION OF CLOSING. AS FAMILY MEMBERS, WE WERE NOT GIVE ANY
23 WARNING THAT THERE WAS A FINANCIAL PROBLEM WITH THE MOTION
24 PICTURE TELEVISION FUND. AND WE OF THE INDUSTRY CERTAINLY
25 WOULD HAVE GONE AND DONE FUNDRAISERS TO SAVE THIS FACILITY.



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1 ALL I CAN SAY IS THAT IT IS NOT JUST A SMALL CLOSING OF ONE
2 FACILITY, THAT IT WILL AFFECT THE ENTIRE INDUSTRY'S FUTURE
3 BECAUSE THERE IS NO LONGER A PLACE FOR PEOPLE TO GO. AND IF
4 THERE IS, GOD FORBID, YOU'RE OLD AND YOU FALL, YOU ARE NO
5 LONGER A RESIDENT AT THE MOTION PICTURE TELEVISION FUND, THEY
6 WILL SHIP YOU OUT BECAUSE IT IS NO LONGER CONVENIENT OR
7 FINANCIALLY FISCAL. AND THESE ARE THE WONDERFUL CARETAKERS OF
8 THE RESIDENTS IN MOTION PICTURE FUND THAT WE CONTINUE THIS
9 FIGHT AND WE ASK YOU TO PLEASE REVIEW WHAT THEIR MOTIVE IS IN
10 CHANGING THE SYSTEM AND RENEGING ON THEIR PROMISE TO TAKE CARE
11 OF THEIR OWN. I THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

14

15 **NILA NEUKUM:** AND WE REALLY BEG YOU. I CAN SAY PERSONALLY THAT
16 I'VE SPOKEN TO THE DOCTORS. IT IS AN AWFUL POSITION FOR A
17 DAUGHTER TO BE IN, THAT THEY PRAY THAT THEIR FATHER DIES SO
18 THAT HE DOESN'T HAVE TO BE SHIPPED OUT. SO THAT'S WHERE IT'S
19 AT. IN FACT I WOULD PREFER THAT THAN HIM BEING SHIPPED OFF.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. YES?

22

23 **MIMI KEBEBDE:** HI, MY NAME IS MIMI KEBEBDE, AND I'M A CAREGIVER
24 AT THE MOTION PICTURE AND TELEVISION FUND HOSPITAL. WE'RE HERE
25 IN THE SUPPORT OF THE FAMILIES AND THE RESIDENTS AND OUR



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1 COWORKERS, 300 OF WHOM WILL LOSE THEIR JOBS UNNECESSARILY
2 BECAUSE WE WERE NEVER TOLD THAT THE FUND WAS IN TROUBLE. AND
3 MOST OF OUR WORKERS LIVE, AT THE SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY'S
4 DISTRICT. AND WE'RE LOSING 300 JOBS UNNECESSARILY BECAUSE
5 WE'RE WILLING TO MAKE SACRIFICE AND TAKE A PAY CUT, BUT NONE
6 OF THEM WERE WROTE UP TO US AND TO OUR UNION. WE ARE JUST HERE
7 THE TELL YOU AND TO ASK YOU PLEASE RECONSIDER THE APPROVAL OR
8 THE CLOSING AND THE RELOCATION OF OUR RESIDENTS. THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE'RE NOT CLOSING ANYTHING. SO IT'S NOT
11 -- YES.

12

13 **MYRA TORRES:** HI. MY NAME IS MYRA TORRES, I'M AN EMPLOYEE OF
14 THE MOTION PICTURE AND TV FUND AND A MEMBER OF THE U.H.W.
15 S.E.I.U., AND CONSTITUENT OF SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. I'D LIKE
16 TO THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR, FOR ALL OF YOUR SUPPORT FOR HEALTH
17 CARE WORKERS AND FOR LISTENING TO US TODAY. I REALLY
18 APPRECIATE YOUR ATTENTIVENESS HERE. THIS HAS BEEN A LONG DAY,
19 SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND I APPRECIATE YOUR SINCERITY AND
20 PAYING ATTENTION TO US. THE MOTION PICTURE AND TV FUND HAS
21 BEEN AROUND FOR 86 YEARS, ALMOST 88 YEARS, SOMEWHERE AROUND
22 THERE. MOST OF THE UNION MEMBERS OF THE INDUSTRY,
23 ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY, HAVE DONATED MONEY ALL THEIR LIVES FOR
24 PEOPLE TO LIVE HERE. THIS WAS CREATED FOR THAT PURPOSE. THE
25 FUND NEVER EXPLAINED TO ANYBODY OR TOLD ANYBODY THAT THEY HAD



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1 PLANS TO CLOSE THE FACILITY, OR THAT WE WERE LOSING \$10
2 MILLION. THEY HAVE DENIED ALL FUNDRAISING EFFORTS. THEY HAVE
3 DECIDED NOT TO ACCEPT ANYTHING. THEY HAVE NOT KEPT UP WITH THE
4 PROPOSAL FOR RELOCATION. THEY NEVER BROUGHT IN ANYBODY THAT
5 WAS A HEALTHCARE EXPERT FOR THE CONDITION OF THESE RESIDENTS
6 TO TALK ABOUT TRANSFER TRAUMA. NO ONE ON THE BOARD IS
7 MEDICALLY EXPERIENCED TO TURN AROUND AND DO THAT. THEY JUST
8 SORT OF WHAMMED IT ON PEOPLE. AND ANY DONATION EFFORTS, \$25
9 MILLION WAS OFFERED TO START A FUNDRAISING EFFORT BY JOHN
10 SCHNEIDER. YOU CAN VERIFY THAT IF YOU GO ONTO THE WEBSITE
11 SAVING THE LIVES OF OUR OWN.ORG, YOU'LL GET A LOT OF
12 INFORMATION. YOU'LL BE ABLE TO SEE SOME NEWS REELS OF OUR
13 C.E.O., DAVID TILLMAN, WHO SELLS THEY'RE NOT ACCEPTING BAILOUT
14 MONEY. THEY ARE NOT A CORPORATION. THEY ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR
15 HUMAN LIVES. AND AT THE SACRIFICE OF OTHER PEOPLE WHO HAVE
16 ALREADY DONATED THEIR HOMES, THEIR MONEY, ALL OF THAT STUFF,
17 THEY SAID THIS WAS A FOUR-YEAR RESEARCH THAT THEY HAD ALREADY
18 DECIDED TO DO THIS. BUT NOT ONCE DID THEY TALK ABOUT IT TO
19 ANYBODY ELSE. THEY CONTINUED TO ACCEPT RESIDENTS EVEN AS SHORT
20 AS A YEAR AGO TO LIVE THERE WHEN THEY SOLD THEIR HOMES, THEY
21 LIQUIDATED ALL THEIR ASSETS. SO THEY TOOK THAT. THEY SPENT
22 THAT. AND NOW THEY WANT TO EVICT THEM. WE'VE HAD 16 DEATHS
23 THAT THEY CAN SAY IT'S NOT RELATED. THEY SAY THEY WERE GOING
24 TO DIE, ANYWAY. THAT'S NOT TRUE. THEY COULD HAVE DONE A BETTER
25 EFFORT. SO WE'RE HERE TO ASK THAT YOU PLEASE ASK THE BOARD TO



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1 RECONSIDER IT. AND RECONSIDER THE RELOCATION PLAN. IT IS NOT
2 FEASIBLE. IT'S NOT GOING TO HAPPEN. THEY CAN'T FOLLOW 150
3 RESIDENTS. IT'S JUST NOT GOING TO HAPPEN. IT'S NOT REALISTIC.
4 SO WE'RE ASKING THAT THE RELOCATION PLAN BE RECONSIDERED.
5 WE'RE ASKING THAT THERE BE A STAY, A HOLD. THEY'VE NOT GIVEN
6 ONE NOTICE TO A RESIDENT. SO THEY'VE NOT FOLLOWED ANY OF THAT
7 STUFF. THEY'VE JUST PLAYED PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE. WE'VE HAD TO
8 ASK FOR SOCIAL SERVICES TO STEP OUT OF THE ROOMS OF THESE
9 RESIDENTS, WHO ARE FRAGILE, AND TO TELL THEM TO STOP ASKING
10 THEM WHEN THEY ARE GOING TO MOVE, AND ONLY CONTACT THE
11 FAMILIES. WE HAVE A LOT OF MEMBERS THAT ARE WARDS OF THE
12 STATE. THEY DON'T HAVE FAMILY MEMBERS. SO WE'RE ASKING THAT
13 YOU PLEASE RECONSIDER YOUR AUTHORIZATION FOR THEIR RELOCATION.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CAN I ASK A QUESTION, MR. CHAIRMAN? WHO'S
16 FAMILIAR WITH THIS FROM OUR STAFF? MR. FREEDMAN? DID THE BOARD
17 APPROVE THIS?

18

19 **SPEAKER:** THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF MOTION PICTURES?

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** PLEASE DON'T ANSWER THE QUESTION I'M ASKING
22 TO OTHER PEOPLE.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I THINK YOU CAN STEP ASIDE. THANK YOU.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. FREEDMAN, IT'S A PUBLIC HEALTH
2 DEPARTMENT WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR APPROVING THESE IS IT
3 RELOCATION PLANS IS WHAT TECHNICALLY THEY'RE--

4

5 **JOHN FREEDMAN:** THIS IS JOHN FREEDMAN, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH.
6 I'M HERE WITH DR. LAWSON, WHO HEADS OUR HEALTH FACILITIES
7 INSPECTION DIVISION THAT WE RUN ON BEHALF OF THE STATE. THIS
8 IS AN ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION UNDER STATE LAW.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WAS IT SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD?

11

12 **JONATHAN FREEDMAN:** IT'S SUBMITTED FOR ACTION.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO THE BOARD CAN'T RESCIND IT. THE BOARD
15 DIDN'T APPROVE IT IN THE FIRST PLACE.

16

17 **JONATHAN FREEDMAN:** IT'S AN ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION THAT THE
18 DEPARTMENT DOES THAT--

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** DELEGATED TO YOUR DEPARTMENT.

21

22 **JONATHAN FREEDMAN:** THAT THE DEPARTMENT DOES PURSUANT TO STATE
23 AND FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS.

24

25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON BEHALF OF THE STAFF STATE.



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2 **JONATHAN FREEDMAN:** CORRECT.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** DO YOU HAVE ANY DISCRETION? DOES YOUR
5 DEPARTMENT -- WHAT IS THE DISCRETION, IF ANY, THAT YOU HAVE IN
6 APPROVING THESE PLANS?

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8 **JONATHAN FREEDMAN:** MY UNDERSTANDING, AND DR. LAWSON CAN
9 ELABORATE, THAT WE HAVE TO MEET STATE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE
10 CURRENT OPERATOR TO PRODUCE A TRANSITION PLAN FOR THE EXISTING
11 PATIENTS. AND THAT TRANSITION PLAN NEEDS TO MEET CERTAIN
12 MINIMAL STANDARDS. AND WE REVIEW THAT. WE CERTAINLY WOULD
13 INVESTIGATE ANY SPECIFIC COMPLAINTS ABOUT PATIENTS OR ANY
14 UNUSUAL OCCURRENCES THAT ARE OCCURRING IN THE FACILITY.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING TO ADD, DOCTOR?

17

18 **DR. LAWSON:** YES, WE DID RECEIVE THE PLAN. AND IT DID MEET THE
19 REQUIREMENTS OF THE HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE AS TO THE MINIMUM
20 CONTENT. AND SO WE WERE REQUIRED TO APPROVE THAT PLAN AND DID
21 AT THE SAME TIME FORWARD IT TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF
22 OMBUDSMAN, THE OFFICE OF AGING. AND THE OWNER OF THE LICENSEE
23 OF THE FACILITY HAS PUT INTO WRITING THEIR PLAN, WHICH THEY
24 STILL HAVE TIME TO EXECUTE.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IS THAT DECISION BY YOU APPEALABLE BY
2 ANYBODY TO ANYBODY? CAN ANYONE APPEAL THAT FINDING THAT THEY
3 MET THE MINIMUM STANDARDS?

4

5 **JONATHAN FREEDMAN:** APPEALABLE BY A THIRD-PARTY?

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YES.

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9 **JONATHAN FREEDMAN:** I BELIEVE SO BUT WE CAN CONFIRM THAT.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU DON'T BELIEVE SO?

12

13 **JONATHAN FREEDMAN:** I DO NOT BELIEVE SO BUT WE COULD CONFIRM
14 THAT.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** COULD YOU CONFIRM THAT AND LET US KNOW? MAKE
17 SURE YOU LET ME KNOW DIRECTLY.

18

19 **JONATHAN FREEDMAN:** MEANING THE PATIENT RIGHTS ADVOCATE OR ANY
20 OTHER THIRD PARTY?

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SUPPOSE THEY LOOKED AT YOUR FINDINGS AND
23 THEY DETERMINED THAT YOU WERE ASLEEP AT THE SWITCH AND THAT
24 YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE -- THAT IT REALLY DIDN'T MEET MINIMAL
25 STANDARDS. IT COULD BE A DIFFERENCE OF OPINION. I WONDER IF



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1 THERE WAS A WAY THAT THEY COULD APPEAL IT. I KNOW THAT IT
2 DIDN'T COME TO US. I'VE BEEN GETTING THE CORRESPONDENCE AS I
3 THINK ALL OF US HAVE FROM THE UNION. LET ME JUST SAY I THINK
4 THIS IS A TRAGIC CLOSURE, THIS THING, THE MOTION PICTURE AND
5 TELEVISION FACILITY IN WOODLAND HILLS. IT IS OUTRAGEOUS. AND I
6 KNOW THEY'RE UNDER A LOT OF PRESSURE. EVERYBODY IS UNDER A LOT
7 OF PRESSURE. IT IS ALSO NOT THE FIRST HOSPITAL TO CLOSE OR
8 FACILITY OF THIS KIND TO CLOSE IN THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY OR
9 IN THE COUNTY. AND I'VE TRIED TO INSERT MYSELF A LITTLE BIT
10 INTO THIS TO NO AVAIL. IT'S BEEN VERY UNSATISFACTORY, TO SAY
11 THE LEAST. IT DOESN'T SPEAK WELL, IN MY OPINION, FOR THE
12 INDUSTRY TO TURN ITS BACK. [APPLAUSE.] TO TURN ITS BACK ON ITS
13 OWN WHEN THEY MOST NEED THEM. IT'S NOT THE WAY WE LIKE TO DO
14 BUSINESS. THEY WOULDN'T MEET OUR CORE MISSION STATEMENT HERE.
15 ANYWAY, IF YOU COULD GET BACK TO ME ON THAT.

16

17 **JONATHAN FREEDMAN:** WE WILL CERTAINLY GET BACK TO YOU ABOUT
18 WHETHER OUR DECISION IS APPEALABLE BY ANY THIRD-PARTY OR ANY
19 OTHER PARTY, AS WELL AS I WANT TO REITERATE, IF THERE'S ANY
20 SPECIFIC COMPLAINTS, PATIENT-LEVEL COMPLAINTS, WE WANT TO KNOW
21 THOSE SO THEY CAN BE INVESTIGATED.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. I HOPE THE UNION MEMBERS HEARD
24 THAT, AS WELL. MAYBE YOU CAN JUST INTRODUCE YOURSELF TO THEM
25 BEFORE YOU LEAVE, JOHN, SO THAT THEY KNOW WHO YOU ARE. DOCTOR,



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1 THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MR. CHAIRMAN, WE'LL GET THAT REPORT. AND
2 IF THERE'S ANY VEHICLE FOR THEM TO APPEAL THIS, I'M AFRAID MY
3 GUT TELLS ME IT'S NOT POSSIBLE. MY GUT TELLS ME IT'S ALSO LATE
4 IN THE PROCESS. BUT IF THERE IS ANYTHING THAT COULD BE DONE,
5 WE'LL COMMUNICATE IT TO THE REPRESENTATIVES WHO ARE IN THE
6 AUDIENCE.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. I'D ASK
9 HELEN JONES TO JOIN US. JELANI JONES, QUINTON JACKSON, AND I
10 THINK IT'S LA POSHA HORTON? I THINK THAT'S A B. IF IT'S NOT, I
11 APOLOGIZE. GO AHEAD AND IDENTIFY YOURSELF FOR THE RECORD AND
12 PROCEED.

13

14 **HELEN JONES:** HELEN JONES.

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16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, HELEN, GO AHEAD.

17

18 **HELEN JONES:** OKAY. THIS IS MY SON, JOHN HORTON, THAT WAS
19 ACCUSED OF HANGING HIMSELF IN THE MEN'S COUNTY JAIL LAST MONTH
20 ON THE 30TH. THEY CAME TO MY DAUGHTER'S RESIDENCE TO TELL ME
21 MY SON HUNG HIMSELF. BUT THEY DIDN'T SAY THAT MY SON HAS SCARS
22 IN HIS HEAD. HE HAS MEAT SHOWING TO WHERE HANDCUFFS WAS ON HIS
23 WRIST TO WHERE IT WAS ATE DOWN TO THE MEAT. THEY DIDN'T
24 MENTION NONE OF THAT. AND THEN THE BRUISE THAT IS ON MY SON'S
25 HEAD. YOU COULD SEE IT CLEAR AS DAY WHERE HE HAD BEEN HIT WITH



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1 A BILLY CLUB OR A FLASHLIGHT. THE LINE IS RIGHT HERE. YOU
2 COULD SEE IT CLEAR AS DAY. I CAN SHOW YOU PROOF WHERE HE GO TO
3 MEAT TO WHERE ON HIS WRIST. AND I'M JUST TRYING TO SEE HOW
4 DOES SOMEBODY HANG THEMSELF AFTER NOT GETTING MEDICAL
5 TREATMENT FOR HIS MEAT CUT DOWN FROM HANDCUFFS. AND THEN HE GO
6 TO MATCH UP CLEAR AS DAY TO BILLY CLUB PRINTS, BECAUSE THERE'S
7 FOUR OR FIVE LINES ON MY BABY'S HEAD. THAT WAS MY ONLY SON. IT
8 MATCH UP EVEN TO POLICE FLASHLIGHTS. THESE LINES RIGHT HERE IS
9 RIGHT ON MY BABY'S HEAD RIGHT HERE. AND I'M JUST TRYING TO
10 FIGURE OUT HOW DID MY SON HANG HIS SELF AFTER TAKING A BLOW
11 LIKE THIS TO HIS HEAD WITHOUT RECEIVING MEDICAL ATTENTION FROM
12 ANYBODY. BECAUSE I KNOW HE DIDN'T GET NO MEDICAL ATTENTION.
13 BECAUSE IF HE WOULD HAVE HAD MEDICAL ATTENTION, HE WOULDN'T
14 HAVE HAD TO BE IN THE HOLE. MY SON LEFT HOME FROM THE
15 AMBULANCE THAT TOOK HIM, BECAUSE HE WAS MENTALLY IMPAIRED THAT
16 DAY. AND WHEN HE GOT TOOK TO THE HOSPITAL, I WENT UP THERE
17 THEY TOOK HIM IN CUSTODY AND TOLD ME THAT I COULDN'T SEE HIM.
18 I WENT TO THE COUNTY JAIL ON THE FIRST VISITING DATE. I GOT IN
19 ON THAT FIRST DATE, AND WHEN I LEFT OUT OF THERE, I WENT TO
20 CALL THE HEAD DOCTOR AND THE WATCH COMMANDER. AND THEY TOLD ME
21 THAT THEY WOULD BRING HIM IN AND HAVE HIM EVALUATED. THE NEXT
22 DAY I TRIED TO GO SEE ABOUT MY SON. I WAS DENIED VISIT FROM
23 THAT DAY FORWARD. I HAVEN'T SEEN MY SON SINCE HE WAS THERE. I
24 NEVER GOT A CHANCE TO TALK TO HIM. HE NEVER EVEN GOT A CHANCE
25 TO MAKE A PHONE CALL HOME TO ME. I NEVER SEEN MY SON OR TALKED



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1 TO MY SON BEFORE HE DIED. SO THAT'S REALLY JUST GOT ME MESSED
2 ALL THE WAY UP, THAT I NEVER GOT A CHANCE TO EVER TALK TO MY
3 BABY AGAIN BECAUSE I WASN'T ALLOWED A CHANCE TO VISIT HIM. AND
4 THEN THIS IS THE NOOSE THAT CAME WITH MY BABY BODY TO THE
5 MORTUARY. THIS IS SUPPOSED TO BE HIS CLOTHES. THIS IS WHAT WAS
6 AROUND HIS NECK. AND THIS IS NOT THE PRINT THAT'S AROUND MY
7 BABY NECK. MY BABY HAVE A MARK AROUND HIS NECK THIS THIN. SO
8 HOW CAN HE HANG HIS SELF WITH THIS? THIS CAME TO ME AND MY
9 FAMILY. AND I'M JUST TRYING TO HOW DID THIS GET OUT OF
10 EVIDENCE AND OUT OF CUSTODY TO THE MORTUARY AS HIS CLOTHES?
11 THAT'S WHAT I JUST REALLY DON'T WANT EVERYBODY TO TURN A BLIND
12 EAR BECAUSE HE WAS INCARCERATED OR HE'S AN INMATE BECAUSE
13 THAT'S WHAT'S BEING DONE. MY SON'S BEING OVERLOOKED. THAT'S
14 WHAT'S HAPPENING TO ME. AND I JUST WANT SOME TYPE OF ANSWER
15 AND HELP FOR MY BABY.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT. I ASSUME THERE'S OTHER
18 TESTIMONY WITH REGARDS TO IT, WHAT WE'LL DO IS MAKE SURE WE
19 GET YOUR INFORMATION EITHER TO THE OMBUDSMAN OR THE INSPECTOR
20 GENERAL.

21

22 **EDDIE JONES:** DID YOU CALL EDDIE JONES?

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24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YES, I DID.

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1 **EDDIE JONES:** OKAY. MY NAME IS EDDIE JONES, PRESIDENT OF THE
2 LOS ANGELES CIVIL RIGHTS ASSOCIATION. I'M HERE WITH MISS HELEN
3 JONES. I'LL MAKE SURE THAT Y'ALL GET A BUSINESS CARD. I WANT
4 EVERYONE, AND GOOD AFTERNOON TO THE COUNTY BOARD OF
5 SUPERVISORS. I ALSO WANT YOU TO HAVE A COPY OF THIS EXTREMELY
6 COMPELLING LETTER FROM THE A.C.L.U. AND I'M QUITE SURE YOU'RE
7 FAMILIAR WITH THEM. THIS LETTER CAME FROM AN INMATE THAT WAS
8 NEXT DOOR TO JOHN THOMAS HORTON III, HER SON, WHO LOST HIS
9 LIFE. THAT LETTER HAS INFORMATION THAT THERE WAS NEGLECT AND
10 MISTREATMENT OF A MAN WHO HAD A MENTAL PROBLEM WHO SHOULD NOT
11 HAVE EVER BEEN IN THE MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL. IT'S UNFORTUNATE
12 THAT REAGAN SHUT DOWN THE MENTAL INSTITUTIONS. IT'S
13 UNFORTUNATE THAT WE DON'T HAVE ENOUGH FACILITIES TO FACILITATE
14 PEOPLE WHO NEED HELP IN THE MENTAL HEALTH AREA. THIS IS MENTAL
15 HEALTH MONTH. FOR 30 DAYS SHE COULD NOT SEE HER SON. ON HIS
16 BIRTHDAY, ON MARCH THE 22ND, I MEAN ON MARCH 20TH WHEN HE
17 TURNED 22 YEARS OLD, SHE WAS NOT ABLE TO SEE HER SON. THE ONLY
18 TIME -- AND HE DIED AT 6 IN THE MORNING. BUT THEY DIDN'T COME
19 TO THE HOUSE UNTIL 7 THAT EVENING. INSTEAD OF CALLING HER UP
20 AND SAYING "COME AND IDENTIFY YOUR SON," THEY HAVE A PLACE
21 WHERE THEY HOLD THE BODIES AT THE MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL. THEY DO
22 NOT DO THAT. THEY CAME TO HER HOUSE AT 7 IN THE EVENING AND
23 SAID "YOUR SON IS DEAD." UNACCEPTABLE. WE NEED TO ANALYZE AND
24 EVALUATE. WE NEED TO INVESTIGATE. WHAT IS THE PROBLEM IN THE
25 MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL SYSTEM? WHY IS THERE NEGLECT? WHY ARE HUMAN



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1 BEINGS WHO HAVE A CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT, A HUMAN RIGHT AND
2 CIVIL RIGHT DYING IN THE JAIL? WHY ARE THEY BEING BEAT? WHY
3 ARE THEY NOT GETTING THEIR MEALS ON TIME? WHY ARE THEY NOT
4 GETTING THEIR MEDS ON TIME? WHY ARE THE SHERIFFS THAT ARE IN
5 THERE NOT CHECKING ON THE INMATES TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY DON'T
6 HURT THEMSELVES? THAT IS MANDATORILY THE JOB OF EVERY OFFICER
7 BEHIND THAT WALL. EVERY WATCH COMMANDER ON DUTY, ALL THE WAY
8 DOWN TO THE PRIVATE, YOUR JOB IS TO MAKE SURE THAT HUMAN LIFE
9 IS PRESERVED. JAIL IS FOR REHABILITATION, REJUVENATION AND
10 REVITALIZATION OF YOUR LIFE, NOT TO LOSE YOUR LIFE. THIS
11 MOTHER WILL NEVER SEE HER SON AGAIN. HOW MANY PEOPLE IN HERE
12 HAVE CHILDREN THAT HAVE BEEN BEHIND THE WALL AND YOU WERE ABLE
13 TO SEE THEM? SHE WAS NOT ABLE TO SEE HER SON. PLEASE, DON'T
14 LET THIS FALL ON DEAF EARS. DO NOT GO TO SLEEP TONIGHT WITHOUT
15 THINKING ABOUT THESE HORRIFIC PICTURES THAT YOU SAW OF HER SON
16 THAT WILL NEVER SEE ANOTHER CHRISTMAS, THANKSGIVING, EASTER OR
17 NOT EVEN JUST A BASIC CONVERSATION WITH HIS FAMILY MEMBERS.
18 FOREVER HE IS LOST. IT IS A VIOLATION OF HIS LIFE, HIS CIVIL
19 RIGHTS, HIS HUMAN RIGHTS AND HIS CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS. I HOLD
20 THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RESPONSIBLE TO INVESTIGATE
21 THIS TO THE FULLEST, ALL THE WAY TO THE INSPECTOR GENERAL. YOU
22 HAVE MY CARD. PLEASE ALLOW SOME ACTION.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

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1 **HELEN JONES:** THANK YOU. JELANI JONES, QUINTON JACKSON. THANK
2 YOU. GERALD SHIELDS.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ON THE SAME TOPIC? COULD WE HAVE THIS
5 VIDEOTAPE BE SUBMITTED TO THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT WHEN THEY
6 DO THEIR INVESTIGATION?

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** GIVE IT TO THE INSPECTOR GENERAL, TOO.

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10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** TO THE INSPECTOR GENERAL.

11

12 **JELANI JONES:** MY NAME IS JELANI JONES. AND I'M JUST BASICALLY
13 JUST TRYING TO TELL YOU GUYS ABOUT THE TREATMENT THAT WAS
14 GOING ON INSIDE OF THE JAILS AS BY YOUR GUYS' SHERIFFS. ON
15 SEPTEMBER 18TH, THE POLICE CAME TO MY HOUSE BECAUSE I WAS OUT
16 ON PROBATION. BUT THEY HAD NO PROBABLE CAUSE TO COME TO MY
17 HOUSE AT ALL. MY P.O. DIDN'T TELL THEM TO COME OR NOTHING.
18 THEY RAIDED MY HOUSE ABOUT 9:00 IN THE MORNING, BROKE MY DOORS
19 IN. I WAS IN THE BED SLEEP WITH MY ONE YEAR OLD DAUGHTER AT
20 THE TIME. THEY CAME IN WITH GUNS, TOOK MY LITTLE BROTHER OUT
21 THE HOUSE THAT WAS 12. I WAS 34 WEEKS PREGNANT. I WAS DUE ANY
22 DAY. AND MY DAD, THEY PUT MY DAD AND ME IN A CAR, GAVE MY
23 DAUGHTER TO MY LITTLE BROTHER. AND HE WAS OUTSIDE, HE HAD ON
24 UNDERWEAR, THAT WAS IT. AND HE WAS HOLDING MY DAUGHTER. AND
25 WHILE ME AND MY DAD-- I HAD ON A T-SHIRT, NO BRA, AND MY



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1 UNDERWEAR, NO SOCKS, NO SHOES. I WAS ASLEEP IN THE BED. I WOKE
2 UP TO GUNS IN MY FACE. THEY ASKED ME -- THEY TOOK ME INTO
3 CUSTODY LIKE THAT IN FRONT OF EVERYBODY AND 34 WEEKS PREGNANT.
4 AND THEY DRAGGED ME INTO THE CAR. THEY GAVE ME, THE PEOPLE
5 THAT RAIDED CALLED FOR OTHER OFFICERS TO ESCORT ME. THEY
6 ESCORTED ME TO THE JAIL, TRIED TO BOOK ME. REALLY, I DON'T
7 KNOW WHAT FOR. THEY TRIED TO BOOK ME. THEY SAID I'M 34 WEEKS
8 PREGNANT. I GOT TO GET APPROVAL. THEY DROVE ME ALL THE WAY
9 FROM LYNWOOD ALL THE WAY TO NORWALK TO A HOSPITAL OUT THERE IN
10 MY SHIRT, MY PANTIES, NO SOCKS OR SHOES OR NOTHING. THEY
11 DIDN'T PUT NO SEAT BELT ON ME. HANDCUFFED WITH MY HANDS BEHIND
12 MY BACK DOING ABOUT 100 MILES ON THE FREEWAY WITH NO SIRENS OR
13 NOTHING. I'M FLYING FROM SIDE TO SIDE IN THE BACK OF THE CAR
14 AND IT'S ABOUT 100 DEGREES OUT THERE. I HAD NO SOCKS OR NO
15 SHOES OR NOTHING. AND I GOT TO WALK ON THE FLOOR TO GET IN THE
16 HOSPITAL. I CAN GET MY FEET CUT OR ANYTHING. AND AT THE TIME I
17 WAS PREGNANT. THEY TOOK ME IN THERE STILL HAD ME HANDCUFFED. I
18 WAS COMPLAINING FROM THE TIME THEY PICKED ME UP TO USE THE
19 BATHROOM. I WAS TOLD TO SHUT UP AND JUST SIT THERE. AND I KEPT
20 ON, WHEN I GOT TO THE HOSPITAL ASKING TO USE THE BATHROOM
21 BECAUSE I WAS PREGNANT AT THE TIME I COULDN'T HOLD MY BLADDER.

22

23 **SPEAKER:** NOW JUST IMAGINE, LADIES, BEING PREGNANT AND
24 HANDCUFFED IN YOUR UNDERWEAR AND A T-SHIRT WITH NO BRA, HOW
25 INHUMANE TO A HUMAN BEING TO MISTREAT THEM THAT WAY. EVEN IF



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1 YOU -- AND THEY DON'T READ YOU YOUR MIRANDA RIGHTS. THEY DON'T
2 TELL YOU WHY YOU'RE ARRESTED. THEY JUST TELL YOU TO SHUT UP
3 AND THEY PUT YOU IN THE BACK SEAT OF A CAR THAT'S 100 DEGREES
4 INSIDE BECAUSE IT'S HOT. AND THEN THEY DRIVE YOU UP AND DOWN
5 THE FREEWAY 100 MILES AN HOUR. AND YOU'RE PREGNANT? TELL ME, I
6 JUST WANT TO KNOW. HOW COULD SHE HURT THOSE OFFICERS? THEY
7 HAVE MACE, BATONS, PR 24S, STUN GUNS AND WEAPONS THAT HOLD UP
8 AT LEAST 15 TO 16 ROUNDS. WHAT TYPE OF THREAT IS SHE,
9 PREGNANT, 34 WEEKS WITH HANDCUFFS BEHIND HER BACK AND IN HER
10 UNDERWEAR. COULD YOU IMAGE IF SOMEBODY MADE YOU GET IN THE
11 BACK OF A POLICE CAR WITH YOUR UNDERWEAR ON AND NO BRA. IT'S
12 INHUMAN. ITS UNFAIR. THEY ARE NO ANIMALS IN THIS ROOM. THEY
13 ARE HUMAN BEINGS IN HERE. AGAIN WHO HAVE HUMAN, CONSTITUTIONAL
14 AND CIVIL RIGHTS. THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. GERALD SHIELDS. ARNOLD SACHS?
17 CAROL LUTNESS, I BELIEVE?

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19 **SPEAKER:** YOU KNOW, I APPLIED FOR SECTION 8, 1981, I MEAN 2001.
20 I REQUESTED A FAIR HEARING. THEY GIVE ME A PHONY HEARING SET
21 UP BY PHONY PEOPLE JUST TO DO ME OUT OF MY CIVIL RIGHTS, MY
22 CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS. THAT'S TOTAL VIOLATION OF 18 U.S.C.
23 SECTION 241. TO KEEP ME FROM EXERCISING MY RIGHTS TO EVEN
24 APPLY FOR THESE BENEFITS. TO TOTALLY FILL THIS PAPER FULL OF
25 LIES SAYING I ADMITTED TO THIS, I ADMITTED TO THAT, WHICH WAS



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1 NOT A FACT. I PRESENTED COURT DOCUMENTS THAT ABSOLUTELY SAY I
2 PRESENTED CASE NO. B.A. -- WHERE'S THAT CASE NUMBER? ANYHOW, I
3 HAVE PRESENTED THE CASE LISTED ON THIS DOCUMENT, WHICH I DID.
4 THEY SAID IT WAS A MISDEMEANOR CHARGE. THEY SAID IT WAS A
5 FELONY THAT I ADMITTED TO, WHICH IS TOTALLY UNTRUE. THIS IS
6 THE COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY. AND EVERY TIME I TRY AND APPLY
7 TO FIND OUT WHAT'S GOING ON WITH THE APPLICATION, WHAT DO THEY
8 DO? THEY SEND ME AROUND ON ANOTHER FURTHER GOOSE CHASE. LAST
9 WEEK I HAD TO GO DOWN TO LYNWOOD. THE NEAREST PUBLIC
10 TRANSPORTATION STOP WAS APPROXIMATELY TWO MILES AWAY. AND THIS
11 THING, THESE THINGS AREN'T MADE --. YOU KNOW THERE'S NOT A
12 CAR, THIS AIN'T TRANSPORTATION.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IS THERE ANYONE HERE FROM C.D.C. THAT
15 CAN TALK TO THIS GENTLEMAN TO ASSIST HIM? COULD WE GET SOMEONE
16 TO HELP HIM AND CHECK OUT HIS CASE? WHERE DO YOU LIVE SIR?

17

18 **SPEAKER:** I LIVE IN WEST HOLLYWOOD. I LEFT ALMOST A COMPLETE
19 FILE IN THE BOARD OFFICE OF DOCUMENTS THEY COULD GO OVER TO
20 TAKE A LOOK AT, BECAUSE THERE AIN'T NOTHING ON THIS THING
21 THAT'S TRUE. AND THIS, ON PLAIN PAPER WHAT KIND OF JUDGE DO
22 YOU HAVE PLAIN PAPER? I CAN LOOK UP CITATIONS. MINE'S TRUE.
23 BECAUSE I'M NOT GOING TO ADMIT TO SOMETHING I WASN'T CONVICTED
24 OF. COURT DOCUMENT DOESN'T SHOW.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MR. SHIELDS, MR. BELMONT FROM SUPERVISOR
2 YAROSLAVSKY'S OFFICE WILL VISIT WITH YOU. IF THERE'S ANYONE
3 FROM C.D.C. AROUND HERE TOO, WE'D APPRECIATE YOU ASSISTING MR.
4 BELLMAN. MR. SACHS THEN CAROL THEN WALTER BECKTEL.

5

6 **ARNOLD SACHS:** GOOD AFTERNOON. THANK YOU AGAIN. ARNOLD SACHS.
7 I'D LIKE TO DISCUSS ACTUALLY FOUR THINGS. BACK TO THE BUDGET.
8 WHEN MR. FUJIOKA MENTIONED HIS CUTTING POSITIONS THAT FUNDED
9 BUT NOT FILLED, WHAT'S THE PERCENTAGE OF THOSE POSITIONS THAT
10 ARE FUNDED BUT NOT FILLED OF THE COUNTY WORKFORCE? WHAT WOULD
11 THAT PERCENTAGE BE? WOULD IT BE LIKE 10 PERCENT OF THE COUNTY
12 WORKFORCE? AN EXTRA 10 PERCENT, AN EXTRA 15 PERCENT, 1
13 PERCENT, 2 PERCENT? SINCE YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT 100,000
14 EMPLOYEES, JUST OUT OF CURIOSITY, HOW MUCH FUNDING IS TIED UP
15 IN THAT? BECAUSE THERE ARE NO POSITIONS BEING ELIMINATED IN
16 D.F.C. THAT ARE FUNDED. THEY NEED 1,000 PEOPLE. THE SHERIFF'S
17 DEPARTMENT HAS A D.N.A. BACKLOG. SO EVIDENTLY THEY DON'T HAVE
18 THE PERSONNEL. SO WHERE ARE THESE FUNDED POSITIONS?

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY.

21

22 **ARNOLD SACHS:** I UNDERSTAND THAT. BUT HOW CAN YOU HAVE FUNDED
23 POSITIONS TO ELIMINATE IN MAY? THEY WERE FUNDED IN 2008-2009
24 BUDGET BUT NOT FILLED. THE BUDGET IS PRETTY MUCH THE SAME,
25 IT'S \$22 BILLION. AND YOU HAVE ANOTHER \$22 BILLION AND NOW



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1 YOU'RE GOING TO ELIMINATE THOSE POSITIONS. WERE THEY FUNDED IN
2 2007 AND 2008?

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YES.

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6 **ARNOLD SACHS:** AGAIN, WHERE DID THE MONEY GO? THEN THERE WAS AN
7 ARTICLE IN THE NEWSPAPER REGARDING THE ORANGE COUNTY SHERIFFS.
8 THIS GENTLEMAN, GEORGE JARAMILLO, AND I'M JUST CURIOUS TO KNOW
9 IF THE SHERIFF HAS AN AT-WILL AGREEMENT ALSO. AND THERE'S A
10 DIFFERENCE BETWEEN APPOINTEES AND SWORN PERSONNEL WHERE HE
11 SIGNED AN AT-WILL AGREEMENT BUT HE'S PROTECTED BY STATE LAW OR
12 FEDERAL LAW. SO I WAS WONDERING IF L.A. WOULD HAVE ANY KIND OF
13 PROBLEM WITH THAT. THEN I'D LIKE TO KNOW ABOUT RECENTLY THERE
14 WAS AN ALTERNATIVE STUDY FOR THE WEST SIDE EXTENSION, THE RAIL
15 LINE. AND THEN IN THIS FLIER THAT WAS PRINTED OUT, WEST SIDE
16 SUBWAY EXTENSION PUBLIC MEETINGS, IT MENTIONS THE ALTERNATIVE
17 ANALYSIS STUDY OF THE WEST SIDE EXTENSION TRANSIT CORRIDOR.
18 THE A.A., WHICH IS ALTERNATIVE ANALYSIS, LOOKED AT WHETHER A
19 TRANSIT IMPROVEMENT WAS NEEDED IN THIS AREA. WAS THAT PRINTED
20 WITH PROP A FUNDING? LOOKING TO SEE IF ALTERNATIVE TRANSIT
21 IMPROVEMENT WAS NEEDED IN THIS AREA. FOR 50 YEARS THEY'VE BEEN
22 STUDYING WILSHIRE BOULEVARD. THE WEST SIDE, THE RED LINE OR
23 THE PURPLE LINE AS IT'S NOW CALLED, WAS THOUGHT UP IN 19 -- IN
24 THE MID 70S WHEN BRADLEY BECAME MAYOR. IT'S BEEN 30 YEARS.
25 THERE'S BEEN HOW MANY MILLIONS OR BILLIONS OF DOLLARS SPENT ON



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1 THE STUDY? HOW LONG IS THIS HORSE GOING TO BE RIDDEN UNTIL IT
2 DIES? AND FINALLY, SINCE THERE'S NO MENTION OF ANYTHING WITH
3 THE STATE BUDGET, I WAS JUST WONDERING, THE MAYOR, IN AN
4 ADDRESS ON T.V. ON SUNDAY MENTIONED THAT HE WAS FOR THE
5 PROPOSITIONS IN THE ELECTION THAT ARE UPCOMING. WHAT'S THE
6 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' STANCE ON THE ELECTION THAT IS
7 UPCOMING AND THE PROPOSITIONS THAT AFFECT THE BUDGET? ARE THEY
8 FOR THE BUDGET PROPOSITIONS OR YOU AGAINST THE BUDGET
9 PROPOSITIONS? THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME, YOUR ANSWERS AND
10 ATTENTION.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. CAROL AND THEN MR. BECKTEL
13 AND THEN WARREN BRANCH.

14

15 **CAROL LUTNESS:** GOOD AFTERNOON, HONORED SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
16 CAROL LUTNESS, I'M A L.C.S.W. LICENSED CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKER
17 AND A CERTIFIED DRUG AND ALCOHOL COUNSELOR. I WORK WITH THOSE
18 FOLKS WHO RECOGNIZE THAT THEY HAVE A MENTAL ILLNESS AS WELL AS
19 A SUBSTANCE ABUSE PROBLEM. CURRENTLY I AM WORKING FOR MY
20 UNION, A.F.S.M.E. 2712, TO EDUCATE AND ORGANIZE AGAINST THE
21 PROPOSITIONS, PARTICULARLY PROP A, PROP D, AND PROP E. WE FEEL
22 THAT THESE PROPOSITIONS ARE GOING TO HAVE A DISASTROUS EFFECT
23 ON PUBLIC HEALTH, PUBLIC SAFETY AND PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES. WE
24 FEEL THAT WITH THE -- IF THESE PROPOSITIONS PASS, THEN THE
25 COST OF HEIGHTENED PUBLIC SERVICES WILL BE BORNE BY THE



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1 LOCALITIES SUCH AS LOS ANGELES COUNTY. FOR EXAMPLE, WITH PROP
2 E, THE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ACT, PROP 63, THIS IS AN ATTEMPT
3 TO DISMANTLE AN EXCEPTIONALLY EFFECTIVE PROGRAM THAT HAS BEEN
4 ABLE TO REACH THE KIND OF PERSON SUCH AS JOHN THOMAS GORDON
5 YOU JUST HEARD ABOUT, AND PROVIDE THE KINDS OF TREATMENT TO BE
6 ABLE TO GET HIM BACK ONTO MEDICATION, CASE MANAGEMENT, AND THE
7 KINDS OF SERVICES THAT HE NEEDED TO BE STABILIZED. INSTEAD,
8 THE COUNTY SPENDS ABOUT \$74,000 A YEAR TO INCARCERATE THE
9 MENTALLY ILL, VERSUS \$16,000 WITH THE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES
10 ACT. WE FEAR THAT THIS BEGINNING, THIS PROP 63, THIS ATTACK ON
11 PROP 63, WILL BE THE SLIPPERY SLOPE THAT WILL BEGIN TO DESTROY
12 THIS VERY IMPORTANT PROGRAM WITH A 40 PERCENT REDUCTION IN
13 INCARCERATIONS AND A \$16,000 COST. WITH PROP A, WE FEEL THAT
14 THIS IS A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT THAT WILL FURTHER CAUSE THE
15 REDUCTION OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AND SCHOOL ALLOCATIONS
16 ON THE STATE LEVEL, THUS AGAIN PUTTING TREMENDOUS PRESSURE AND
17 STRESS ON THE LOCAL LEVEL TO PROVIDE THE EMERGENCY SERVICES,
18 TO PROVIDE THE HOSPITALIZATIONS AND TO PROVIDE ALL THE OTHER
19 VERY HIGH END COST SERVICES THAT THESE PROGRAMS ARE NOW
20 ADDRESSING. I WOULD LIKE TO REQUEST THAT THIS BOARD COME OUT
21 IN OPPOSITION TO PROP A, PROP D AND PROP E.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. AND I BELIEVE YOU PASSED DOWN
24 YOUR RECOMMENDATIONS AS WELL TOO, FOR THE RECORD. THANK YOU. I



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1 BELIEVE YOU PASSED ON YOUR RECOMMENDATIONS FOR US, TOO, THANK
2 YOU. MR. BECKTEL?

3

4 **WALTER BECKTEL:** OKAY, THANK YOU. I NOTICE THAT THERE WAS SOME
5 PEOPLE COMING AND TALKING ABOUT THE SWINE FLU. I DON'T THINK
6 THAT IT'S ENTIRELY BEEN REPRESENTED PROPERLY. FROM WHAT I
7 UNDERSTAND, THE SWINE FLU IS A MUCH MORE SERIOUS SITUATION
8 WHERE IT HAS AN INCUBATION PERIOD OF SOME 6 MONTHS. AND IT
9 SHOWS INITIAL SYMPTOMS, BUT THEY LIE DORMANT AND THEN THEY
10 CROP BACK UP AND WHEN PEOPLE PASS AWAY FROM IT, THEY GET BLOOD
11 ISSUING FORTH FROM THEIR MOUTH AND THEIR NOSE. AND THE ENTIRE,
12 THE LUNG AREA BECOMES MUSH. AND I DON'T THINK TRIVIALIZING THE
13 SITUATION IS A GOOD IDEA. I JUST WANTED TO MENTION I SAW
14 SOMEBODY ABOUT SIX MONTHS AGO HAVING SOMETHING SIMILAR TO THAT
15 IN FRONT OF THE CARL'S JUNIOR -- THAT HAS BEEN SHUT DOWN AT
16 THE CORNER OF SUNSET AND WESTERN. AND THERE WAS NO TRAUMA.
17 NOBODY HAD BEATEN UP ON HIM BUT HE HAD BLOOD AND ISSUING FORTH
18 FROM HIS MOUTH AND HIS NOSE. AND I THINK THAT IF YOU SAW
19 SOMEBODY WITH SYMPTOMS LIKE THAT, YOU WOULDN'T THINK THAT IT
20 WAS JUST SOMETHING THAT PEOPLE NEED TO GO AND WASH THEIR HANDS
21 ABOUT. BECAUSE I'VE BEEN NOTICING IN ESPECIALLY AT THE SMALL
22 CONVENIENCE STORES THERE'S BEEN A REAL CARELESSNESS WITH THE
23 HANDLING OF THE FOOD. AND AT COFFEE SHOPS, PEOPLE ARE BRINGING
24 DOGS IN UP TO THE COUNTERS, EVEN. AND I TRY TO REMIND THE
25 PEOPLE THERE, YOU CAN'T BRING A DOG IN HERE WHEN YOU HAVE OPEN



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1 FOOD LIKE THAT. IT'S A STATE LAW. BUT THEY DON'T PAY ATTENTION
2 TO ME. AND I'M HAVING TO CALL -- I'VE CALLED THE DEPARTMENT OF
3 HEALTH TWICE LAST MONTH ABOUT TWO DIFFERENT PLACES. AND THE
4 LADY THAT ANSWERS THE PHONE CAN'T EVEN UNDERSTAND ENGLISH
5 HARDLY. BUT EVENTUALLY I WAS ABLE TO CONVINCE HER THEY NEED TO
6 GO UP TO THESE PEOPLE. AND SO I THINK THAT YOUR COUNTY
7 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH NEEDS TO BE A LITTLE BIT MORE AWARE OF
8 THE CARELESSNESS GOING ON IN THE CONVENIENCE STORES AND THE
9 COFFEE SHOPS AND THE FAST FOOD RESTAURANTS.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. BRANCH. YOU COULD GO AHEAD
12 AND SIT DOWN. SIT DOWN, PLEASE. THANK YOU.

13

14 **SPEAKER:** LAST TIME I WAS HERE, YOU HAD TOLD ME TO BRING A
15 LETTER FROM THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT. I DID EXACTLY THAT. HERE
16 YOU GO RIGHT HERE.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT.

19

20 **SPEAKER:** I WANT TO TELL YOU IN FRONT OF STEVE, HE SAID HIS
21 DADDY CALLED THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT AND TALKED TO THE
22 PROBATION OFFICER. THE PROBATION OFFICER TOLD ME, HE AIN'T
23 TALKED TO ANYBODY, OKAY? SO I JUST WANTED TO LET YOU KNOW IN
24 FRONT OF ALL THESE PEOPLE, MAN, YOU LIE.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU DON'T SAY THAT. YOU DON'T KNOW HE
2 LIED. HE COULD HAVE TALKED TO ME.

3

4 **SPEAKER:** WELL, THE PROBATION OFFICER TOLD ME HE NEEDED TO TALK
5 TO STAVE. I GOT THE LETTER RIGHT THERE. AND THAT'S FROM MS.
6 GAMA, THE CHIEF PROBATION DEPARTMENT. AND I WAS TALKING TO MR.
7 THOMAS. HE SAID HE WAS GOING TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT. ALL HE
8 GOT TO DO IS MAKE A PHONE CALL TO THE POMONA POLICE DEPARTMENT
9 RIGHT OVER THERE WHILE I'M STANDING RIGHT THERE AND HAVE HIM
10 LEAVE A MESSAGE WITH OFFICER FREEMAN. IF OFFICER FREEMAN AIN'T
11 THERE, JUST SAY GO TO THE CHURCH HOUSE IN THE MORNING WITH MR.
12 BRANCH SO HE GET THESE PEOPLE'S ARRESTED. BECAUSE JEREMY SMITH
13 JONOVICH AND SOME OF THESE CHURCH PEOPLES ALREADY WANT A BIG
14 GIANT LAWSUIT. I MADE THE BOY TELL IT IN THE COURTROOM. BUT
15 THE JUDGE DIDN'T DO NOTHING. JUST THE HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION
16 AND HIS DADDY JOE SMITH, JONATHAN DIDN'T EVEN SHOW IN THE
17 CIVIL RIGHT COURTHOUSE, IN THE COURTROOM. I REPRESENTED
18 MYSELF. HE DIDN'T SHOW UP BECAUSE HE DIDN'T WANT THE JUDGE TO
19 GET HIM ARRESTED. BUT JEREMY SMITH GONOVIS TO ANSWER IN FRONT
20 OF A JURY. IF YOU DON'T DO ANYTHING ABOUT IT, I'M DOING WAIT
21 UNTIL AUGUST THE EIGHTH WHEN THE JURY TRIAL AND I'M GOING TO
22 MAKE JEREMY SMITH GONOVIS TELL IT IN FRONT OF THE JUDGE AND
23 ALL THEM PEOPLES. AND THEN IT'LL BE AN ARREST. ALL YOU GOT TO
24 DO IS HAVE ONE OF YOUR STAFF MEMBERS TO CALL THE POMONA POLICE
25 DEPARTMENT WHILE I'M STANDING OVER THERE, AND MAKE ONE OF THEM



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1 GO OUT TO THE CHURCH WITH ME SO HE GET THESE PEOPLES ARRESTED.
2 SEEMED LIKE TO ME THAT YOU GOT MAD AT ME BECAUSE THEM PEOPLE
3 WAS HARASSING ME. THEY DID ME LIKE THAT. BECAUSE I DIDN'T JUMP
4 IN IT.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. I'LL TELL YOU AGAIN, LIKE WE
7 ALWAYS TELL YOU, THAT'S THE CITY OF POMONA. THEY HAVE THEIR
8 OWN POLICE DEPARTMENT.

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10 **SPEAKER:** MAN, YOU JUST SAY WHAT YOU WANT, MAN. I KNOW WHAT
11 TIME IT IS ON THAT, ALL RIGHT? YOU CAN LIE, TOO.

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13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ARE YOU THROUGH? THANK YOU.

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15 **SPEAKER:** I GOT THE LETTER. WHAT YOU GOING TO DO ABOUT IT? IS
16 YOU GOING TO HAVE MR. THOMAS TO MAKE A PHONE CALL TO THE
17 POMONA POLICE DEPARTMENT?

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19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME'S EXPIRED.

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21 **SPEAKER:** MAN, I AIN'T EVEN TALKING TO YOU, MAN, I'M TALKING TO
22 HIM.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SIT DOWN, SIR. YOU'RE DONE. OKAY? YOU'RE
2 FINISHED. YOU'VE HAD YOUR TIME. THANK YOU. (STILL SPEAKING
3 FROM AUDIENCE, INAUDIBLE).

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT, THANK YOU. WOW, THANK YOU FOR
6 THE COMPLIMENT. ALL RIGHT. ANY OTHER PUBLIC COMMENT? THANK
7 YOU. READ US INTO CLOSED SESSION.

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9 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,
10 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL
11 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NO. CS-1, CONFERENCE
12 WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING LITIGATION, ITEM NO. CS-
13 2, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING SIGNIFICANT
14 EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION, ONE CASE, AND ITEM NO. CS-3 PUBLIC
15 EMPLOYMENT, CONSIDERATION OF CANDIDATE FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE
16 POSITION OF LEAD ATTORNEY, CHILDREN'S SPECIAL INVESTIGATION
17 UNIT AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT
18 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MAY 5TH, 2009 MEETING IS CANCELED TO
19 ALLOW THE BOARD TO HOLD A SPECIAL MEETING WITH FEDERAL,
20 ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS BEGINNING MAY 6TH, 2009, IN
21 WASHINGTON, D.C. THE BOARD'S NEXT REGULAR MEETING WILL BE
22 TUESDAY, MAY 12TH, 2009. THANK YOU. REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN
23 CLOSED SESSION TUESDAY, APRIL 28, 2009.

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